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Title : Need to expedite the electrification of railway line on Indore-Dewas-Ujjain section in Madhya Pradesh.

SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN (INDORE): Electrification of Indore-Dewas-Ujjain Section (80 km) was sanctioned couple of years back and the entire estimated amount has been sanctioned and released. The project was to be completed months ago but has been delayed and it is not certain when it will take the final shape. The work of electrification is being carried out by Kota unit of Railway electrification works. To the best of my knowledge remodeling of the passenger yard at Indore station (where the tract is proposed to be lowered) was carried out earlier to 2003 well before the point-to-point survey was conducted. Needless to say that lowering of the track was nowhere proposed at that time and suddenly it is being argued that the required height at two places is not as per standard and hence the present track needs to be lowered. This is apparently an afterthought even presuming that there is a need of lowering of track then this could have been done simultaneously with the opening of the project. In fact earlier completion of this project is more in the interest of the railways than the passengers, as it will reduce congestion at Ujjain. I, therefore, urge the Hon'ble Railway Minister to initiate an enquiry into the delay of the project and survey reports and take steps to expedite the electrification of Indore-Dewas-Ujjain section in Madhya Pradesh.