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Title: Regarding construction of new railway line in Jajpur Parliamentary Constituency of Odisha.

SHRIMATI RITA TARAI (JAJPUR): Biraja Kshetra at Jajpur town in Odisha is a famous place of pilgrimage in India at par with Dwaraka in Gujarat and Kashi in Uttar Pradesh. Jajpur is one of the three old capitals of Odisha. A large number of pilgrims visit the place regularly throughout the year. Absence of a railway line has made their journey to Jajpur difficult. The State Government on their part has recommended for this proposal several times. An RET survey for this new line was sanctioned in the Rail Budget 2012-13, but beyond this no progress has been made. The Ministry of Railways is requested to complete all the spade works expeditiously and connect Jajpur Kendujhar Road — Jajpur Town - Dhamara with a new railway line keeping in view the demands of the people of the area.