

1. Madgaon-Mangalore Intercity Express (daily)
2. Lokmanya Tilak (T)-Kochuveli Express (Bi-weekly) *via* Madgaon
3. Thiruvananthapuram-Hazrat Nizamuddin Express (weekly) *via* Madgaon
4. Madgaon-Ratnagiri Passenger (daily)
5. Madgaon-Karwar DEMU.

#### **Doubling of railway lines in Odisha**

2314. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the present status of the doubling of Sambalpur-Talcher, Delang-Puri, Cuttack-Baranga and Banspani-Tomka-Daitari railway lines in Odisha which are of public importance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.J. SURYA PRAKASH REDDY): (i) **Sambalpur-Talcher:-** Part-Detailed Estimate for Talcher-Bamur section has been sanctioned. Contract for Earthwork and minor bridges have been awarded. Contract for track linking is under finalization.

(ii) **Delang-Puri:-** Earthwork & bridge work have been taken up. 35% Earthwork and 55% work on bridges have been completed. Delang-Sakhigopal section is targeted for completion in 2013-14.

(iii) **Cuttack-Barang:-** Overall progress of project is 76%. Project is targeted for completion by March 2014.

(iv) **Banspani-Tomka-Daitari-Jakhapura:-** Overall progress of the project is 25% and is targeted for completion by December 2015.

#### **Rail Tariff Authority**

2315. DR. CHANDAN MITRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government had decided to set up a Rail Tariff Authority;
- (b) if so, the reasons for delay in setting up the Authority; and
- (c) the time by when the Rail Tariff Authority is likely to be set up?