

**STARRED LAQ NO 001A TABLED BY SHRI VIRESH BORKAR, M.L.A.
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24/03/2025**

NEW RAILWAY STATION IN GOA

QUESTION	ANSWER
001A. WILL the Minister for Transport be pleased to state:	By Shri Mauvin Godinho, Hon'ble Minister for Transport.
a) whether the Department is aware that there are 3 new railways stations proposed for Goa; if so, whether the concerned Central Government agency or Central railways or Ministry of Railways communicated the same to the Department; if so, provide complete details of the same;	Sir, the Board of Directors of KRCL in their Meeting held on 06.03.2025 has passed the proposal of construction of two new Railway stations in Goa State viz ' Neura-O-Grande' and Mayem. Proposal for one more crossing station viz Sarzora (between Madgaon & Balli) in the State of Goa is under process. All the three stations will be constructed without acquiring any additional land & without disturbing coastal ecology & forest cover.
b) whether the Department has any details as to the purpose of these new railway stations and if any DPR was submitted to the Department; if so, provide all documents relating to the same;	These three new crossing stations are being proposed by Konkan Railway to address operational requirements aiming to reduce congestion at exiting stations, enhance efficiency, minimize delays and improve overall punctuality. These crossing stations were identified as future stations at the initial stage of construction of Konkan Railway. The Konkan Railway line was commissioned in 1998 with 9 stations viz Pernem, Thivim, Karmali, Verna, Majorda, Suravali (Halt station), Madgaon, Balli & Cancona based on operational and commercial requirements at that time. Lolliem Station was added as the 10 th Station at a later stage in the State of Goa. Keeping in view the present volume of traffic as well as the long and critical block section affecting train operations to overcome operational constraints, it has been proposed to add 3 new crossing stations in the State of Goa. It is also pertinent to mention that land acquisition for these stations was already done at the time of construction of Konkan Railway Route. There will not be any disturbance to existing water bodies/ channels, as sufficient culverts/bridges have been constructed at the time of construction.
c) whether the Department has information in regard to the land acquisition that was done and the survey plan, Survey Numbers, that are included for the proposed new railway station;	These new crossing stations were identified as future stations at the initial stage of construction of Konkan Railway and Land acquisition was already done at the time of construction itself.
d) whether the Department has received any objection towards the proposed new railway station in Goa; if so, provide details of the objections received by the Department and the Department's stand on these objections; and	Yes sir, the objection received from Village Panchayat Azossim Mandur Tiswadi – Goa and same is forwarded to Konkan Railway Corporation Limited for necessary action. Copy marked as Annexure – A
e) whether the Department has written to the Central Government agency or Central railways or Ministry of Railways in regard to the objections received; if so, provide details of all correspondences that was done in this regard?	