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## Travelling from Kolín to Havlíčkův Brod will be faster and safer

Vlkaneč (Kutná Hora District), 1 July 2016 – Správa železniční dopravní cesty (the Railway Infrastructure Administration) improved parameters of the railway line Kolín – Havlíčkův Brod in the section between stations Golčův Jeníkov – Vlkaneč. The main objective of this project is achieving a technical state for this line corresponding to EU parameters and standards.

The construction included adaptations of the railway superstructure and substructure, platforms, railway crossings, bridges and culverts. Safety and signalling equipment and the traction power system was renewed as well.

"One of the biggest assets of the construction works is especially an increase in travelling comfort and safety on this line. Implementation of the projects allowed full use of the current infrastructure's possibilities which brings a decrease of journey times, an improvement of the trainsets' turnover and better train connections. This will render railway transport more attractive for passengers", says Mr. Pavel Surý, Director General of SŽDC.

In accordance with the global objective of Operational Programme Transport Priority Axis 1 which is an improvement of railway transport on the Trans-European Transport Network TEN-T, higher transport availability was achieved, operation costs were decreased and infrastructure capacity and railway operation quality was assured for a prospective transport extent. Another positive impact of the project is increasing railway transport safety and smoothness.

Total estimated costs of the construction designated as Line 230 Kolín - Havlíčkův Brod, section Golčův Jeníkov – Vlkaneč amounted to CZK 591,717,234 (VAT excluded). The project was cofinanced by the European Union from its Cohesion Fund under the Operational Programme Transport up to a maximum amount of CZK 449,797,511. National financing was provided by the State Fund for Transport Infrastructure. The construction's supplier was the company OHL ŽS, a.s.













Fond soudržnosti

Construction Designation	Line 230 Kolín - Havlíčkův Brod, section Golčův Jeníkov – Vlkaneč
Construction Investor	Správa železniční dopravní cesty, státní organizace
Supplier	OHL ŽS, a.s.
Term of launch	9/2015
Term of completion	4/2016
Total construction costs	CZK 591,717,234 (VAT excluded)
Approved EU contribution	CZK 449,797,511

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