

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1558
ANSWERED ON 31.07.2026

NON-AVAILABILITY OF SHEDS AT RAILWAY UNDERBRIDGES IN SULTANPUR LODHI

1558 SHRI SANT BALBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there are two railway underbridges in Sultanpur Lodhi where no protective sheds/roof structures have been constructed, causing serious inconvenience to pedestrians, commuters and local residents, especially during rains and extreme weather, if so, the reasons for non-provision of sheds at these locations;
- (b) the details of representations or demands received from the public or local authorities regarding installation of sheds at these underbridges, along with the action taken thereon; and
- (c) the proposed timeline, if any, for construction of sheds at these underbridges and allocation of funds for the same?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c): As on 01.04.2026, there are 15,767 Nos. of RUBs over Indian Railways. Out of which 474 Nos. existing RUBs in the State of Punjab.

Sanctioning and execution of works of Road Over Bridges/ Road Under Bridges (ROBs/RUBs) is a continuous and ongoing process on Indian Railways. Such works are prioritized and taken up on the basis of its impact on safety and mobility in train operations and impact on road users.

Nos. of ROBs/ RUBs constructed on Indian Railways during the period 2004-14 vis a vis 2014-26 (upto May'26) is as under:

Period	ROBs/ RUBs constructed
2004-14	4,148 Nos.
2014-26 (upto May'26)	14,451 Nos. (442 Nos. in the State of Punjab)

Railways have also taken several remedial measures to mitigate the problem of water logging, as under:

- i. Adequate drainage arrangement has been made as integral part of planning of new RUB/underpasses.
- ii. In existing RUBs/underpasses remedial measures like water flow diversion to nearby bridge and nallahs/drains, provision of cover shed on approach roads, provision of hump at entry to RUB, provision of cross drains, sealing of joints etc. have been made as per feasibility, suitability and site requirements.
- iii. In addition, pumping arrangement has also been made for identified RUBs, to drain out water expeditiously in case of emergency and provision to stop road traffic in exceptional/unusual rainfall situation for safety of road users.

Cover shed is required to be provided only in those ROB's where severe waterlogging occurs. Considering the need, the work of providing cover shed at RUB Nos. 47 and 48 in Sultanpur Lodhi yard has been taken up.
