

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2612
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.01.2018**

RAILWAY BRIDGES IN KARNATAKA

2612. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether rail bridges are assigned with ORN-1, ORN-2 and ORN-3 ratings in their respective railways;**
- (b) if so, the number of railway bridges in Karnataka which are in dilapidated condition, division-wise, rating-wise;**
- (c) whether the Government has prepared any action plan for their renovation on priority; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the amount of funds provided for renovation/ replacement of these bridges during the last three years?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2612 BY SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 03.01.2018 REGARDING RAILWAY BRIDGES IN KARNATAKA

(a): Yes, Madam. Railway Bridges are assigned with numerical ratings based on their physical condition assessed during their regular inspections.

(b): The information on Railway Bridges is maintained Zone-wise and not State-wise. Karnataka is covered under Central Railway, Southern Railway, South Central Railway and South Western Railway. There is no bridge with ORN-1 rating in any of these four Zonal Railways. The division-wise break-up of bridges, with ORN-2 & 3 ratings, covering the State of Karnataka, is as under:

Zonal Railway	Division	ORN-2	ORN-3
Central	Solapur	6	44
Southern	Palghat	5	27
South Central	Guntakal	15	58
South Western	Hubli	NIL	15
	Mysore	NIL	13
	Bangalore	NIL	11

(c) & (d): Repair / strengthening / rehabilitation / rebuilding of railway bridges is a continuous process and is undertaken whenever so warranted by their physical condition as ascertained during their regular inspections. However, all railway bridges are safe for train movement at permitted speed.

As on 01.04.2017, 751 railway bridges in the above four zones are sanctioned for repair / strengthening / rehabilitation / rebuilding. Funds of ₹ 91.11 Crore, ₹ 114.75 Crore and ₹ 133.04 Crore were allocated for repair / strengthening / rehabilitation / rebuilding of bridges in the above four zones during the financial years 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 respectively.
