

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 431
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.12.2018**

ELIMINATION OF UNMANNED LEVEL CROSSINGS

**431. SHRI RAM CHARITRA NISHAD:
SHRI C. MAHENDRAN:
SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:
SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:
SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether it is true that the Railways has managed to either man or remove all level crossings in major routes across the country and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether it is also true that as on April this year there were 3470 unmanned level crossings across the Indian Railways network and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Railways has stepped into more effective action to eliminate unmanned railway crossings in the country after the incident of 13 school children were killed in April when a train rammed into a school van at an unmanned railway crossing near Kushinagar in Uttar Pradesh; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

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.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 431 BY SHRI RAM CHARITRA NISHAD, SHRI C. MAHENDRAN, SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM, SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN AND SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 12.12.2018 REGARDING ELIMINATION OF UNMANNED LEVEL CROSSINGS

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. Government has planned to remove or man all unmanned level crossings (UMLCs) on Broad Gauge (BG). As on 01.04.2018, there were 5792 unmanned level crossings out of which 3479 were on Broad Gauge, 1135 on Meter Gauge and 1178 on Narrow Gauge.

(c) & (d): Elimination of UMLCs has been a top priority for Railways as level crossings are a safety hazard for both rail and road users more so for road users. As on 01.04.2014, there were 8948 UMLCs on BG. It is submitted that all UMLCs on BG have now been eliminated except 28 UMLCs which have also been planned to be eliminated by closure, merger, subway and manning.
