GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 475 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.04.2023

REPAIR/RECONSTRUCTION OF DILAPIDATED RAIL BRIDGES

†*475. SHRI VIVEK NARAYAN SHEJWALKAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of railway bridges which are in dilapidated condition at present endangering the operations of trains;
- (b) whether the Government has prepared a plan for repair or reconstruction of the said bridges; and
- (c) if so, the number of dilapidated railway bridges in Madhya Pradesh particularly in Gwalior division that needs repair and reconstruction?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 475 BY SHRI VIVEK NARAYAN SHEJWALKAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 05.04.2023 REGARDING REPAIR/RECONSTRUCTION OF DILAPIDATED RAIL BRIDGES

(a) to (c): There is a well-established system of inspection of Railway Bridges in Indian Railways. All the Railway Bridges are inspected twice a year, once before the onset of monsoon and after the monsoon by the designated officials. Repair/ Strengthening/ Rehabilitation/ Rebuilding of bridges is a continuous process and is undertaken whenever so warranted by their condition as ascertained during these inspections. During the year 2022-23, Rs. 1361 Crores were allocated for Repair/ Strengthening/ Rehabilitation/ Rebuilding of Railway Bridges and 1732 Nos. of Railway Bridges were Repaired/ Strengthened/ Rehabilitated/ Rebuilt. All operational Railway Bridges on Indian Railway network are fit for train operation on permitted speed.

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