

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 720  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2024**

**FENCING OF RAILWAY TRACKS**

**720. SHRI PRATAP CHANDRA SARANGI:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of rail accidents involving stray cattle on tracks in the country including Odisha;**
- (b) whether the Government has fenced railway tracks in the country;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Odisha; and**
- (d) whether the Government has any plans of fencing railway tracks in Balasore, Odisha, if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND  
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

**(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

**(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 720 BY SHRI PRATAP CHANDRA SARANGI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.02.2024 REGARDING FENCING OF RAILWAY TRACKS**

**(a) to (d) : Total 5 consequential train accidents took place involving stray cattle on track over Indian Railway during the last two years (2021-22 & 2022-23).**

**Existing provisions stipulate fencing at vulnerable locations for speed above 110 kmph to 130 kmph, and all along the track for speed above 130 kmph.**

**Details of fencing of railway track are maintained Railway Zone-wise and not State-wise as Railway Zones are spread beyond State boundaries. Zone wise details of fencing provided along Railway tracks are as under:**

<b>Zonal Railways</b>	<b>Length of fencing provided (in Fencing Km)</b>
<b>Central</b>	<b>83</b>
<b>Eastern</b>	<b>99</b>
<b>East Cenral</b>	<b>413</b>
<b>East Coast</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Norhtern</b>	<b>141</b>
<b>North Central</b>	<b>949</b>
<b>North Eastern</b>	<b>139</b>
<b>Northeast Frontier</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>North Western</b>	<b>264</b>
<b>Southern</b>	<b>76</b>
<b>South Central</b>	<b>650</b>
<b>South Eastern</b>	<b>51</b>
<b>Sout East Central</b>	<b>41</b>
<b>South Western</b>	<b>63</b>
<b>Western</b>	<b>720</b>
<b>West Central</b>	<b>726</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>4469</b>

**Safety fencing has been planned on Kharagpur - Bhadrak section, covering Balasore District.**

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