ELIMINATION OF UNMANNED LEVEL CROSSINGS

1521. SHRI B. N. BACHE GOWDA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that all the Unmanned Level Crossings (ULCs) in the country have been eliminated;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the other alternative smartways introduced in lieu of such closed unmanned level crossings?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b): All unmanned level crossings (UMLCs) on Broad Gauge (BG) have been eliminated on 31st Jan 2019. The UMLCs on Meter Gauge (348 Nos.) and Narrow Gauge (700 Nos.) will be eliminated during Gauge conversion.

(c): Following alternatives were adopted for closing UMLCs:

- Closure - Closing unmanned level crossings having NIL/negligible Train Vehicle Unit (TVU).
- Merger - Merger of unmanned level crossing gate to nearby manned/unmanned level crossing or subway/Road Under Bridge (RUB)/Road Over Bridge (ROB) by construction of diversion road.
- Provision of Subways/RUBs.
- Manning- Manning of unmanned level crossings which cannot be eliminated by above means.

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