

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2921  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2022**

**DEATHS OF ELEPHANTS ON RAILWAY TRACKS**

**2921. SHRI RAMALINGAM S.:**

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

**(a) whether the Ministry is in the process of signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Central Forest Department to construct a tunnel to allow elephants to cross unhindered to avoid the death of elephants on railway tracks;**

**(b) if so, the details thereof;**

**(c) the number of such tunnels likely to be constructed, State-wise; and**

**(d) the total number of elephants that died on railway tracks during the last three years, State/year-wise?**

**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. 2921 BY SHRI RAMALINGAM S. TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 03.08.2022 REGARDING DEATHS OF ELEPHANTS ON RAILWAY TRACKS**

**(a) No, Sir.**

**(b) & (c) Do not arise.**

**(d) Details of death of elephants are maintained Railway Zone-wise and not State-wise as Railway Zones are spread beyond State boundaries. The Zone-wise details of number of elephants killed in train accidents during the last three years are as under:**

<b>Railways</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>
<b>East Coast Railway</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Northern Railway</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>North Eastern Railway</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Northeast Frontier Railway</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Southern Railway</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>South Eastern Railway</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>South Western Railway</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>19</b>

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