GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1563 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.12.2024

CONSTRUCTION OF OVER BRIDGES/RAILWAY CROSSINGS AT NALANDA IN EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY, DANAPUR DIVISION

†1563. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there are farmers in the country who own agricultural land away from their houses to the other side of the railway line;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is aware that in most of the railway sections of Nalanda in East Central Railway, Danapur Division, problems are being faced in movement of agricultural machinery and big vehicles across the sub-ways due to water logging therein;
- (c)whether the Government proposes to construct overbridges/railway crossings at such places in view of the above problems; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1563 BY SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 04.12.2024 REGARDING CONSTRUCTION OF OVER BRIDGES/RAILWAY CROSSINGS AT NALANDA IN EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY, DANAPUR DIVISION

(a) to (d): Sanctioning of works of Road over Bridge (ROB)/Road under Bridge (RUB) in lieu of Level crossings (LCs) is a continuous and dynamic process of Indian Railway. Such works are prioritised and taken up on the basis of its impact on safety in train operations, mobility of trains & impact for road users and feasibility etc.

Nos. of ROBs/RUBs constructed on Indian Railways during the period 2004-14 vis a vis 2014-24 is as under:

Period	ROBs/RUBs constructed
	in Nos.
2004-14	4148
2014-24	11945

During 2014-24, 490 Nos. of ROBs/RUBs were constructed in the state of Bihar. As on 01.04.24, there are 204 Nos. sanctioned works of Road Over Bridge (ROB)/Road Under Bridge (RUB) at cost of ₹ 4438 Cr in the state of Bihar. During current financial year 24-25 (up to Oct' 24), 11 Nos. of ROBs/RUBs have been constructed in the State of Bihar.

There are 14 Nos. subways in Nalanda District. During heavy rains, Problem of water logging has been reported for short duration in two underpasses, which has been addressed by provision of pumping arrangement.

Further, Railways take several remedial measures to mitigate the problem of water logging in subways as under:

- (i) Adequate drainage arrangement are made as integral part of planning of new Road Under Bridge (RUB)/Subways.
- (ii) In existing RUBs/subways remedial measures like water flow diversion to nearby bridge and nallahs/drains, provision of cover shed on approach roads, provision of hump at entry to Road under Bridge (RUB), provision of cross drains, sealing of joints etc. are made as per feasibility, suitability and site requirements.
- (iii) Pumping arrangement is also been made for identified RUBs, to drain out water expeditiously in case of emergency and provision to stop road traffic in exceptional/unusual rainfall situation for safety of road users.
