GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3181 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.03.2025

CONSTRUCTION OF DOUBLE UNDERPASS AT NIMASARAI

3181. SHRI ISHA KHAN CHOUDHURY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is taking steps to approve and expedite the construction of a double underpass at Nimasarai to alleviate the situation of severe daily traffic jams near the district headquarters of English Bazar, if so, the details thereof; and;
- (b) whether the steps taken/have been taken by the Government to expedite sanction for construction of a subway at Railway Gate No. 43A/E near Dhuliyan Station, Murshidabad which is crucial due to severe traffic congestion, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a): A single lane subway No. 04 exists at Km 297/6-7 between Malda-Old Malda stations. The work of preparation of Technical Feasibility Report / Detailed Project Report (TFR / DPR) for the construction of additional subway as per the traffic requirements if any, has been taken up. Further action depends on TFR / DPR.

(b): 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	ROB s/RUBs constructed
2004-14	4,148 Nos.
2014-24	11,945 Nos. (about three Times)

As on 01.02.2025, 4344 Nos. ROBs/RUBs are sanctioned at the cost of \gtrless 97,422 crore on Indian Railways including 236 Nos. of Road Over Bridge (ROB)/Road Under Bridge (RUB) works at cost of \gtrless 5778 crore in the state of West Bengal, which are at various stage of planning and execution. 89 Nos. works out of 236 Nos. have been delayed due to land acquisition, cost-sharing and consent for closure etc.

During 2014-24, total 443 Nos. of ROBs/RUBs were constructed in the state of West Bengal.

During 2024-25 (upto Jan'25), 827 Nos. of ROBs/RUBs have been constructed on Indian Railways including 28 Nos. of ROBs/RUBs in the State of West Bengal.

Level Crossing (LC) No. 43/Spl/E exist at Km 239/9-10 on Azimganj-New Farakka section of Malda division. The work of preparation of Technical Feasibility Report / Detailed Project Report (TFR / DPR) for the construction of ROB in lieu of LC No. 43/Spl/E has been taken up. Further action depends on TFR / DPR.

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