GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5158 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.04.2025

CONSTRUCTION OF OVER BRIDGE IN MALKERA AND MAHUDA SECTION

†5158. SHRI DULU MAHATO:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to cancel the proposed construction of under bridge between level crossing AM50 and AM51 located at Malkera (MLQ) and Mahuda (MHQ) section and construct an over bridge at the site proposed by the villagers therein, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any study to find out the possibilities of construction of over bridge in Malkera and Mahuda section of Adra railway division;
- (c) if so, the cost likely to be incurred and the time-limit fixed for the construction of the said Project; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes to take a decision soon to grant necessary approval for construction of the said over bridge to improve traffic situation and safety therein keeping in view the protest of the villagers and their demands, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d): There was an unmanned Level Crossing (LC) No. AM-50 which has already been closed by diverting road traffic through LC No. AM-51. Now, considering the anticipated level of traffic, Road under Bridge (RUB) has been planned at LC No. AM-51. The technical feasibility for the construction of RUB in lieu of LC No. AM-51 has

already been completed and it is found technically feasible to provide RUB of size 5mx5m.

Further, 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.

No. of ROBs/ RUBs constructed on Indian Railways during the period 2004-14 vis a vis 2014-25 (Feb'25) is as under:

Period	ROBs/ RUBs constructed
2004-14	4,148 Nos.
2014-25 (Feb'25)	12,977 Nos. (Including 459 Nos. in
	the State of Jharkhand)

As on 01.02.2025, 4,344 Nos. ROBs/ RUBs are sanctioned at cost of ₹ 97,422 crore on Indian Railways including 157 Nos. Road Over Bridge (ROB)/Road Under Bridge (RUB) at cost of ₹ 2,641 crore in Jharkhand, which are at various stages of planning and execution.

Completion & commissioning of ROB/RUB works depends on various factors like cooperation of State Governments in giving consent for closure of LC, fixing of approach alignment, approval of General Arrangement Drawing (GAD), land acquisition, removal of encroachment, shifting of infringing utilities, statutory clearances from various authorities, law and order situation in the area of project / work sites, duration of working season in a year for the particular project / area due to climatic conditions etc. All these factors affect the completion time of the projects / works.
