GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4576 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.08.2025

DISRUPTION OF RAIL SERVICES FROM JASSUR TO PATHANKOT

† 4576. Dr. RAJEEV BHARADWAJ:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the pillars of the bridge over Chakki rivulet near Pathankot collapsed due to illegal mining causing disruption of rail services from Jassur to Pathankot;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to prevent illegal mining in future to ensure seamless rail services?

ANSWER

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

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(a) to (c): Chakki Khad Bridge No. 32 is located between Dalhousie road and Nurpur road Railway station on Pathankot Cantt - Joginder Nagar narrow gauge route. The section is on hilly terrain and there have been unprecedented rains during monsoon. Due to unprecedented rains and consequent washing away of piers of Chakki khad Bridge number-32 on 20.08.2022, train services were discontinued between Pathankot to Nurpur road.

Restoration of Bridge no. 32 along with other works of repairs & strengthening has already been taken up, which is in advance stage of completion.

The issue of illegal mining is also taken up by Railway with concerned State Governments administration time to time.
