

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.136
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.02.2016**

REPAIR OF ROB_s/RUB_s

**† 136. SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN YADAV:
COL. SONARAM CHOUDHARY:
SHRI SADASHIV LOKHANDE:
SHRI RAJU SHETTY:
SHRI C.R. CHAUDHARY:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) it is true that a large number of Railway Over Bridges(ROBs) and Railway Under Bridges (RUBs) are old and needs extensive repairs/replacement;**
- (b) if so, please state total number of such bridges and their year of construction ;**
- (c) is Ministry of Railways is planning to replace them and within which timeframe; and**
- (d) if so, please state yearly programme and total budget earmarked for the coming three years?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) & (b): On Indian Railways, there are 6245 Road Over Bridges (ROBs)/Road Under Bridges (RUBs) of different years of construction. There is a well established system of annual inspection of these ROB_s/RUB_s on Indian Railways. Based on these inspections, required repair/replacement works are planned and executed accordingly. 32 such ROB_s/RUB_s, constructed between the years 1868 to 1962, have been planned for extensive repair/replacement.

(c) & (d): Funds for construction of Road Over Bridge (ROBs)/Road Under Bridges (RUBs)/Subway, elimination of level crossings and other safety works related to level crossings come from Central Road Funds(CRF) as a percentage of cess collected on Petrol and Diesel by Ministry of Finance. Due to limited availability of funds and huge throwforward of already sanctioned works, (₹ 31,700 crores), it is not possible to fix the target. Budget allocation of works is done every year in Railways Budget depending upon overall availability of funds.
