GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 659 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.12.2023

UNMANNED LEVEL CROSSINGS

659. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY: SHRI ACHYUTANANDA SAMANTA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of level crossings, across the country at present, State-wise;
- (b) the total number of unmanned level crossings on all available and operational lines;
- (c) the deadline fixed by the Government to do away with the unmanned level crossings on all the operational lines;
- (d) the alternative provisions that the Government has made for the users where the unmanned level crossings have been done away with; and
- (e) the number of people killed at level crossings in the country during the last five years and the action taken by the Government to minimize such accidents?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 659 BY DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY AND SHRI ACHYUTANANDA SAMANTA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 06.12.2023 REGARDING UNMANNED LEVEL CROSSINGS

- (a) & (b): As on 01.04.2023, there are total 18477 nos. level crossings on the running lines of Indian Railway network, which include 17918 manned-level crossings (MLCs) & 559 unmanned-level crossings (UMLCs). 240 Nos. of manned level crossings have been eliminated further upto October 2023. State wise details are appended.
- (c): All Unmanned level crossings (UMLCs) on running lines of Broad Gauge (BG) network of Indian Railway have been eliminated by 31.01.2019. Only 559 UMLCs on Meter Gauge (MG) and Narrow Gauge (NG) sections exist on Indian Railways, which are planned for elimination during Gauge conversion of sections.
- (d): UMLCs are eliminated either by manning or by providing diversion roads for merger with existing LC/RUB/ROB or by construction of RUBs/ROBs or by direct closure, depending upon the site conditions.
- (e): Since, 1st April 2019, the number of people died at LC gates due to accidents is 9.

Following steps have been taken by Indian Railways to minimize rail accidents at LCs in the country:

 LCs are eliminated either by replacement with RUBs/ROBs or by direct closure or by providing diversion roads for merger with existing LC/RUB/ROB and/or existing roads depending upon the site conditions.

- Level Crossings having high Rail/Road vehicular traffic are interlocked with signals for enhancing safety.
- Inspection drives are being launched from time to time to ensure availability of basic infrastructure at level crossings such as whistle boards, road warning boards, speed breakers, etc.
- Public awareness campaigns/safety slogans are undertaken to create safety consciousness among road users for safe passage at level crossings.

APPENDIX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) and (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 659 BY DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY & SHRI ACHYUTANANDA SAMANTA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 06.12.2023 REGARDING UNMANNED LEVEL CROSSINGS

State Wise Level Crossings (As on 01.04.2023)

SN	STATES	MLCs	UMLCs
1	Andhra Pradesh	935	0
2	Assam	871	0
3	Bihar	1759	0
4	Chandigarh	3	0
5	Chattisgarh	191	0
6	Delhi	26	0
7	Goa	8	0
8	Gujarat	1594	262*
9	Haryana	473	0
10	Himachal Pradesh	53	0
11	Jammu & Kashmir	28	0
12	Jharkhand	392	0
13	Karnataka	643	0
14	Kerala	388	0
15	Madhya Pradesh	639	0
16	Maharashtra	737	6
17	Manipur	0	0
18	Mizoram	1	0
19	Nagaland	1	0
20	Odisha	675	0
21	Puducherry	20	0
22	Punjab	1022	0
23	Rajasthan	955	96*
24	Tamilnadu	1335	0
25	Telangana	289	0
26	Tripura	15	0
27	Uttar Pradesh	3040	32*
28	Uttarakhand	153	0
29	West Bengal	1672	163*
	Total	17918	559
Total (MLC+UMLC)		18477	

^{*} On Meter Gauge (MG) or Narrow Gauge (NG) section.