

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 289
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.07.2024**

CONSTRUCTION OF RAILWAY BRIDGES/UNDERPASSES

289. SHRI K E PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Erode division have any proposals to construct railway bridges or underpasses at high-traffic railway crossings to reduce waiting times for vehicles and pedestrians;**
- (b) if so, the details of the feasibility studies and timelines for constructing railway bridges/underpasses;**
- (c) the details and the number of proposals which are submitted during the last ten years along with criteria for selection of proposals; and**
- (d) the current status of accepted proposals and estimated cost?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 289 BY SHRI K E PRAKASH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 24.07.2024 REGARDING CONSTRUCTION OF RAILWAY BRIDGES/UNDERPASSES

(a) to (d): 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 taken up on the basis of its impact on safety in train operations, mobility of trains & impact for road users and feasibility etc

During last 10 years, 07 Nos. RUBs have been commissioned in Erode District. Further, 04 Nos. ROB in lieu of level crossing are sanctioned at a total cost of ₹164.18 Crore in Erode District.

Completion of any ROB/RUB work depends on various factors like cooperation of State Governments for consent of 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, number of working months in a year for particular project / work sites due to climatic conditions etc. All these factors affect the completion time of the projects / works. Therefore, it is quite difficult to fix definite timelines for completion of ROB/RUBs.
