

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1224
ANSWERED ON:04.03.2010
OLD RAIL BRIDGES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of works undertaken to repair old rail bridges in the XI Five Year Plan, zone-wise;
- (b) the funds allocated and spent so far, zone-wise;
- (c) whether the preference being given to rural and backward areas like Telangana regions in Andhra Pradesh ; and
- (d) the details of Public-Private Partnership models adopted in repair of such old bridges?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) & (b): Rehabilitation/rebuilding/ strengthening of bridges is an ongoing process on Indian Railways. Railways undertake rehabilitation/ rebuilding/ strengthening of bridges on the basis of their physical condition as ascertained during regular inspections carried out in the field. Zone wise no. of bridges rebuilt/rehabilitated/strengthened in the XI Five Year Plan till Jan'10 i.e., from 01.04.07 to 31.01.10 are as follows:

Railway	No. of bridges rebuilt / rehabilitated/ Strengthened	Allocation (bridge works) (Rs. Cr.)	Expenditure (Rs. Cr.)
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CR	180	71.48	61.10
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ER	455	301.05	202.71
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ECR	108	213.39	141.96
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ECoR	134	43.66	36.18
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NR	498	111.40	73.54
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NCR	164	37.84	28.86
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NER	26	38.26	23.82
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NFR	247	60.99	41.02
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NWR	187	64.03	22.50
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SR	253	87.93	50.44
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SCR	213	120.67	101.89
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SER	229	69.71	60.84
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SECR	153	29.67	21.43
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SWR	133	22.23	19.98
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WR	276	171.65	153.06
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WCR	299	65.54	69.09
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Total	3555	1509.50	1108.42
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(c): Each bridge requiring rebuilding / rehabilitation/ strengthening is given equal importance and attention, being safety works.

(d): Public Private Partnership model has not been adopted for rebuilding / rehabilitation/ strengthening of bridges till now.