

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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DEFECTS IN SLEEPERS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the time since when trains are being run at controlled speeds due to defects in sleepers on the bridge over the Ganga river between Chauka Ghat and Ghagrahat stations under North Eastern Railway;
- (b) the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) Trains are running at restricted speed since 22-09-2008 on bridge No.391 on Ghaghara river between Ghaghara Ghat and Chowka Ghat Stations.
- (b) Speed restriction of 50 kmph has been imposed due to corrosion in steel channel sleepers.
- (c) Work of replacement of steel channel sleepers is under progress.