

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4376
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ROB AT TANUKU
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether South Central Railways has met a delegation from Forum on Social & Human Rights to discuss hardships faced by lakhs of people due to ill-located Rail over-Bridges (RoB) at Tanuku, Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the basic suggestions offered by Forum to help poor people;
- (c) whether the Railways have assured to look into the matter earnestly;
- (d) if so, whether the Railways have also offered to install electronic light at the railway gates; and
- (e) if so, details of such costs and expenditure likely to be incurred in this regard?

Answer

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

(a): South Central Railways has received representations from the President, Forum on Social & Human Rights, Polavaram, West Godavari district, Andhra Pradesh regarding the construction of Road Over Bridge at Tanuku.

(b): The Forum has suggested as under:

(i) for partial temporary opening of the Level Crossing (which was closed) for few hours every day to give relief till a permanent solution is arrived and

(ii) Construction of an Under Pass near the existing closed LC.

(c): Railway has already completed the work of construction of Rail Over Bridge (ROB) in lieu of Level Crossing (LC) No.152 on cost sharing basis and as per policy, level crossing has been closed after commissioning of ROB. Further, the site was jointly inspected by officers of the Railway and State Government on 26.02.2011 in which Dr. P. Pulla Rao, President of Forum on Social & Human Rights was also present. The committee in their report mentioned that Road Under Bridge (RUB) is not technically feasible at the LC gate location.

However, R&B department (Government of Andhra Pradesh) has informed that the proposal for provision of stair case on either side of track is sanctioned. R&B department has taken up the construction of stair cases and the work is in progress. This will resolve the problem of inconvenience to the pedestrians.

(d): No, Madam.

(e): Does not arise.