

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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LIMITED HEIGHT OF SUBWAYS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Limited Height Subways (LHS) with less carriage-ways are being constructed by the Railways in violation of standard specification contained in code of IRC-54 and IRC-5 of Indian Roads Congress;
- (b) if so, the reasons thereto and the action taken to rectify the wrong practice which results in harassment to the road users;
- (c) the number of LHS constructed by Northern Railways during the last five (since 2010) and mention their heights and carriage-way widths thereof in context with existing roadway widths; and
- (d) the details of criteria/yardsticks for deciding the width of carriage-way in LHS by the Northern Railways?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

- (a) & (b): Full height Road Under Bridges, as per standard specification contained in IRC codes, are provided wherever the importance of Road and volume of traffic so warrants. Wherever, volume of traffic is meager and normally light vehicles ply, Limited Height Subways (LHS) are provided. In both the above cases, the scheme is finalized in consultation with the State Governments.
- (c) & (d): During the last five years, 117 LHS of size 4.0m Width x 4.0m Height and 4.0m Width x 3.0m Height have been provided on Northern Railway.