

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3004  
ANSWERED ON:31.07.2014  
CLOSING DOWN OF RAILWAY CROSSINGS  
Gandhi Shri Dilip Kumar Mansukhlal

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Railways have closed down the railway crossing near Rahuri Railway Station under Central Railway in Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Railways are aware that due to non-availability of an alternative route, inconvenience is being caused to the residents of the area;
- (d) whether public representatives have also urged Railways to re-open the crossing to ensure smooth flow of traffic at the crossing; and
- (e) if so, the action taken/proposed to be taken in this regard?

**Answer**

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

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3004 BY SHRI DILIPKUMAR MANSUKHLAL GANDHI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 31.07.2014 REGARDING CLOSING DOWN OF RAILWAY CROSSINGS

(a) to (c) There were two level crossings on either end of Rahuri Yard (LC 40 at km 392/1-2 and LC 40A at km 393/5-6) on Daund-Manmad section. LC 40-A (having very low TVU) was closed in May 2010 by diverting its traffic to a nearby level crossing 41 at km 394/6-7 on safety consideration and after taking due consent of Collector, Ahmednagar.

(d) & (e) A public representation has recently been received by Solapur Division for re-opening of this gate. Since the subject level crossing (40-A) was closed 4 years back after taking due consent from State Govt. and by giving alternate passage to cross the track through Gate No. 41, hence, reopening of this gate is not desirable due to safety consideration.