GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.169 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.07.2019

ELIMINATING UNMANNED LEVEL CROSSINGS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of level crossings across the country at present, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the total number of unmanned level crossings on all the existing and operational rail lines;
- (c) the time-limit, if any, set by the Government to eliminate/convert unmanned level crossings into manned level crossings on the operational rail lines;
- (d) the details of alternative provisions made by the Government for the users at places where unmanned level crossings have been eliminated; and
- (e) the total amount of funds spent/likely to be spent on the aforesaid project?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.169 BY SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM AND SHRI NITESH GANGA DEB TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 03.07.2019 REGARDING ELIMINATING UNMANNED LEVEL CROSSINGS

(a): There were 21340 Manned Level Crossings (MLCs) and 1048 Unmanned Level Crossings (UMLCs) in the country as on 01.04.2019. Out of 21340 manned level crossings (LCs), 20993 LCs are on Broad Gauge (BG), 136 LCs are on Metre Gauge (MG) and 211 LCs are on Narrow Gauge (NG). So far as Gauge-wise breakup of UMLCs are concerned, record no. of 3479 UMLCs were eliminated in the year 2018-19 out of which 1714 were eliminated in one month i.e. September 2018. As of now, all UMLCs on Broad Gauge have been eliminated on 31.01.2019, 348 UMLCs exist on MG and 700 UMLCs are on NG. State-Wise and Gauge-wise number of Level Crossings as on 01.04.2019 is as follows:

S.No.	State	No. of Manned Level Crossings in the country (as on 01.04.2019)			No. of Unmanned Level Crossings on MG/NG in the country (as on 01.04.2019)	
		BG	MG	NG	MG	NG
1	Andhra Pradesh	1192	0	0	0	0
2	Assam	877	0	0	0	0
3	Bihar	1868	0	0	0	0
4	Chandigarh	4	0	0	0	0
5	Chhattisgarh	245	0	19	0	15
6	Delhi	27	0	0	0	0
7	Goa	10	0	0	0	0
8	Gujarat	1786	54	39	192	169
9	Haryana	600	0	2	0	0
10	Himachal Pradesh	13	0	37	0	4
11	Jammu & Kashmir	34	0	0	0	0
12	Jharkhand	518	0	0	0	0
13	Karnataka	813	0	0	0	0
14	Kerala	412	0	0	0	0
15	Madhya Pradesh	830	6	41	0	137
16	Maharashtra	1051	0	57	0	154

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		BG	MG	NG	MG	NG	
17	Manipur	0	0	0	0	0	
18	Mizoram	1	0	0	0	0	
19	Nagaland	1	0	0	0	0	
20	Odisha	793	0	0	0	0	
21	Puducherry	22	0	0	0	0	
22	Punjab	1150	0	13	0	0	
23	Rajasthan	1306	13	3	101	52	
24	Tamil Nadu	1419	9	0	0	0	
25	Telangana	406	0	0	0	0	
26	Tripura	15	0	0	0	0	
27	Uttar Pradesh	3615	54	0	55	2	
28	Uttarakhand	173	0	0	0	0	
29	West Bengal	1812	0	0	0	167	
	Total	20993	136	211	348	700	
	Grand Total	21340			1048		

- (b) & (c): All UMLCs on BG have been eliminated on 31.01.2019. At present, total 1048 UMLCs on Meter Gauge (MG) and Narrow Gauge (NG) exist (348 on MG and 700 on NG). So far as elimination of UMLCs on Meter Gauge (MG) and Narrow Gauge (NG) is concerned, it has been planned to be eliminated during gauge conversion.
- (d): Depending upon site specific feasibility, UMLCs have been eliminated by adopting following methods, in consultation with State Govt:
- Provision of Subways/RUBs/ROBs in lieu of level crossings. This was carried out with the specific approval of District Magistrate (State Government).

- Merger Merger of UMLCs with nearby level crossings (LCs)/gradeseperators by construction of diversion road. This was carried out with the specific approval of District Magistrate (State Government).
- Closure Closing unmanned level crossings having NIL/ negligible Train
 Vehicle Unit (TVU). This was carried out with the specific approval of
 District Magistrate (State Government).
- Manning- Though manning is not an ideal and cost economic proposition, unmanned LCs which could not be eliminated by above methods, were manned.

(e): Separate accountal of expenditure for elimination of manned and unmanned LCs are not being maintained. These works come under Plan Head 29 & 30. Year wise expenditure of funds for this purpose (under Plan Head-29 & 30) during the last ten years (2009-19) and the current year 2019-20 (upto May 2019) is as follows:

S.No.	Year	Expenditure of funds under		
		Plan Head-29 & 30 (₹ in Cr)		
1	2009-10	900.06		
2	2010-11	1101.43		
3	2011-12	1329.06		
4	2012-13	1584.08		
5	2013-14	1986.29		
6	2014-15	2222.41		
7	2015-16	2689.18		
8	2016-17	3709.19		
9	2017-18	3709.43		
10	2018-19	4221.62		
11	2019-20 (upto May 2019)	763.66		
	Total	24216.41		
