

Prioritizing Safety, Indian Railways Triples ROB/RUB Construction, Building Over 13,600 Bridges in 11 Years Compared to 4,148 From 2004–2014

Joint Surveys with States, Standardised Bridge Designs, Single-Entity Execution and Regular Review Mechanisms For Faster Work

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Sanctioning and execution of works of Road Over Bridges/ Road Under Bridges (ROBs/RUBs) is a continuous and ongoing process on Indian Railways. Such works are prioritized and taken up on the basis of its impact on safety and mobility in train operations and impact on road users.

Nos. of ROBs/ RUBs constructed on Indian Railways during the period 2004-14 vis a vis 2014-25 (Oct'25) is as under:

Period	ROBs/ RUBs constructed
2004-14	4,148 Nos.
2014-25 (Oct'25)	13,653 Nos.

The construction work of ROB in lieu of LC No. 43/Spl/E at KM 239/9-10 in Azimganj- New Farakka section of Malda Division has been sanctioned. The work for preparation of General Arrangement Drawing (GAD) and Detailed Estimate has been taken up.

Out of 302 Nos. sanctioned ROB/RUB works in West Bengal, 99 Nos. ROB/RUB works are delayed on account of the State Govt. The details are as under:

SN	Reason	ROB/RUB works (in Nos.)
1.	Finalization of Alignment	41
2.	General Arrangement Drawing stage	14
3.	NOC for closure of LC	27

4.	Land Acquisition	10
5.	Law & Order/ Public Protest	7
	Total held up due to Govt. of West Bengal	99

In West Bengal, 99 RUBs/flyovers/underpasses are pending due to lack of cooperation from the state government: Hon'ble MR Shri @AshwiniVaishnaw

-Alignment to be finally okayed - 41

-Approval for final drawing - 14

-NOC pending - 27

-Land acquisition pending - 10

-Delayed due to... pic.twitter.com/JDrh31KftW

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Out of 63 sanctioned ROB works in Telangana, 17 Nos. ROB works are delayed on account of the State Govt. The details are as under:

S.No.	Reason	ROBs (in No.)
1.	Land Acquisition	16
2.	Finalization of Alignment	01

As on 01.11.2025, 4689 Nos. ROBs/ RUBs are sanctioned at the cost of ₹1,11,583 Cr on Indian Railways including 316 Nos. Road Over Bridge (ROB)/Road Under Bridge (RUB) at a cost of ₹ 11,686 crore in the State of Andhra Pradesh, which are at various stages of planning and execution.

During 2023-24 to 2024-25, 252 Nos. of ROB/RUB works have been completed in the State of Uttar Pradesh.

As on 01.11.2025, 275 Nos. ROBs/RUBs are sanctioned at cost of Rs. 5,506 Cr. in the state of Maharashtra which are at various stages of planning and execution.

Completion & commissioning of ROB/RUB works depends on various factors like cooperation of State Governments in giving consent for closure of LC, fixing of approach alignment, approval of General Arrangement Drawing (GAD), land acquisition, removal of encroachment, shifting of infringing utilities, statutory clearances from various authorities, law and order situation in the area of project / work sites, duration of working season in a year for the particular project / area due to climatic conditions etc. All these factors affect the completion time of the projects / works.

Railways have taken following measures to expedite the progress of ROB/RUB works:

(i) Joint survey with concerned State Govt./Road Owning Authority is done before finalizing the General Arrangement Drawing (GAD) to ensure smooth execution.

(ii) Periodic meetings of Railway & State Government officials are done to resolve various issues related to ROB/RUB works.

(iii) Standardization of superstructure drawings for various combinations of span, skewness and width of road on the Railway portion has been done to avoid delays during the design approval. This has been issued in the form of a compendium, which can be directly adopted for Road Over Bridge across Railway lines for expeditious planning.

(iv) ROB/RUB works are planned to be executed on a single entity basis by Railway wherever possible. In case any Road Owning authority/State Govt. wants, then Railway may permit them to execute the work on a single entity basis.

This information was provided by the Union Minister for Railways, Information & Broadcasting and Electronics & Information Technology, Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw, in written replies to questions in Lok Sabha today.

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