

CLOSURE OF OLD RAILWAY GATE IN SHRIRAMPUR

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Old Railway Crossing gate No. 44 (OHE M 70-404/12-14) was situated between Rahuri and Padhegaon stations. A Road under Bridge (RUB) No. 402/1 at Km 402/5-6 was constructed in 2015 in lieu of Level Crossing (LC) gate No. 44, for the existing single line.

Further, during the construction of a double line between Rahuri and Padhegaon stations as a part of Daund – Manmad (247 km) doubling project, extension of RUB was done. During extension of RUB, access to RUB was temporarily closed for 20 days with due consent of Gram Panchayat and Collector's permission. The same was opened after the completion of works of extension of RUB.

The work of preparation of technical feasibility report/Detailed project report (TFR/ DPR) for the construction of Subway/ FOB at the location of old LC gate no. 44 has been taken up. Further action depends on TFR/ DPR.

Sanction of any railway project depends upon many parameters/factors which include the following:

- Anticipated traffic projections and Remunerativeness of the proposed route
- First and last mile connectivity provided by the project
- Connection of missing links and providing additional route
- Augmentation of congested/saturated lines
- Demands raised by State Governments/Central Ministries/Public representatives,
- Railway's own operational requirements
- Socio-economic considerations
- Overall availability of funds

This information was given by the Minister of Railways, Information & Broadcasting and Electronics & Information Technology, Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw, in a written reply to a question in Lok Sabha today.

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