

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2930
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.08.2026**

ROB CONSTRUCTED NEAR ITARHI GUMTI (LC-70B) IN BUXAR

†2930. SHRI SUDHAKAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that the Rail Over Bridge (ROB) constructed near Itarhi Level Crossing (LC-70B) in Buxar, Bihar under East Central Railway at an estimated cost of Rs. 26.40 crore got damaged within just seven days of being opened to the public and if so, the reasons therefor;**
- (b) whether a high-level technical and vigilance inquiry has been conducted into this incident and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the present status of the inquiry along with the action taken so far against the construction agency, contractor, engineers and officers responsible for quality inspection; and**
- (d) whether the Government is considering re-opening the Eastern Railway level crossing of Buxar station which has been closed since May 31, 2026 keeping in view public convenience and ensuring the reconstruction of the damaged ROB in accordance with prescribed quality standards and if so, the timeline in this regard?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

(a) to (d) As on 01.04.2026, there are 4,964 Nos. of ROB's over Indian Railways. Out of which 209 Nos. existing ROB's in the State of Bihar.

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 ROB/ RUBs constructed on Indian Railways during the period 2004-14 vis a vis 2014-26 (upto May'26) is as under:

Period	ROBs/ RUBs constructed
2004-14	4,148 Nos.
2014-26 (upto May'26)	14,451 Nos. (580 Nos. in the State of Bihar)

As on 01.06.2026, 4,993 Nos. ROB/ RUBs works are sanctioned at a cost of approx. ₹ 1,17,492 Cr on Indian Railways including 328 Nos. ROB/ RUB at a cost of approx. ₹ 12,250 Cr in the state of Bihar which are at various stages of planning and execution.

An ROB was constructed on cost sharing basis at Level Crossing no 70B at KM 660/23-25 between Buxar-Baruna. In this ROB, the work of approaches has been executed by the State Government whereas the work in Railway portion has been executed by Railways.

After the ROB was opened to traffic, problems were noticed in the ROB at approach pier Nos. 13, 14, 15 and 16 which were constructed by the State Government. For safety reasons, traffic was immediately stopped on the ROB and repair works have been taken up by the State Government.

The work executed by railway including the piers and steel girder above tracks are structurally sound and in good condition.
