

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3954
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.08.2026**

CONSTRUCTION OF ROB AT THASKE WALI RAILWAY LEVEL CROSSING

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that frequent closure of the Thaske Wali railway level crossing on the Gohana-Meham road in Sonipat Lok Sabha Constituency leads to severe traffic congestion, risk of accidents and serious inconvenience to ambulances, school students and farmers and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether any survey, Detailed Project Report (DPR) or approval process is underway for the construction of a Railway over Bridge (RoB) at the said location and if so, the current status thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government has considered the demand for providing stoppages for Trains 20423/20424 and 15909/15910 (Avadh Assam Express) at Julana railway station and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and**
- (d) the steps taken/to be taken by the Government to accord early approval to both these demands in public interest and convenience of passengers?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d): In order to improve safety as well as operational efficiency, Level Crossings (LCs) are eliminated either by providing Road over Bridges/ Road under Bridges (ROBs/ RUBs) in lieu of LCs or through direct closure (for low traffic LCs) or by diversion of road traffic to nearby ROB/RUB/LC depending upon the site conditions.

No. of ROBs/ 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. (553 Nos. in the State of Haryana)

As on 01.06.2026, 4,993 Nos. ROBs/RUB works are sanctioned at a cost of approx. ₹ 1,17,492 Cr on Indian Railways including 166 Nos. ROB/ RUB works at a cost of approx. ₹ 2899 Cr in the state of Haryana which are at various stages of planning and execution.

There are 113 Nos. ROBs/RUBs in Sonipat Parliamentary Constituency. Further, 07 Nos. ROB/RUB works are sanctioned at a cost of approx. ₹ 70 Cr in Sonipat Parliamentary Constituency which are at various stages of planning and execution.

For elimination of Level Crossing (LC) No. 29 (Thaske Wali Railway Crossing) at Km 300/3-4 at Gohana yard on Rohtak Junction-Panipat junction section, the work for preparation of Technical Feasibility Report/Detailed Project Report (TFR/DPR) for construction of ROB/RUB in lieu of LC No. 29 has been taken up.

Sanctioning of works of Road over Bridge (ROB)/Road under Bridge (RUB) in lieu of Level crossings (LCs) is a continuous and dynamic process of Indian Railway. Such works are prioritised and taken up on the basis of their impact on safety in train operations, mobility of trains & impact for road users and feasibility etc.

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.

Further, Railways have taken following measures to expedite the progress of work:

- 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 and substructure 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.**

At present, Julana station is served by 21 train services providing direct connectivity *inter alia* to destinations like Delhi, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra, Chennai, Gandhinagar, Kanniyakumari etc.

SN	Train no. and name
1	14023 Delhi-Kurukshetra Express
2	14024 Kurukshetra-Delhi Express

3	16032 Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra-MGR Chennai Central Express
4	16318 Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra-Kanniyakumari Express
5	16788 Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra-Tirunelveli Express
6	19411 Gandhinagar Capital-Daulatpur Chauk Express
7	19412 Daulatpur Chauk-Gandhinagar Capital Express
8	54023 Rohtak-Jind Passenger
9	54024 Jind-Delhi Passenger
10	54031 Delhi-Jind Passenger
11	54032 Jind-Delhi Passenger
12	54033 Shakurbasti-Narwana Passenger
13	54034 Jind-Delhi Passenger
14	54035 Delhi-Jakhal Passenger
15	54036 Jakhal-Shakurbasti Passenger
16	64912 Jind-New Delhi MEMU
17	64915 New Delhi-Jind MEMU
18	64931 Delhi-Jind MEMU
19	64932 Jind-Delhi MEMU
20	74015 Rewari-Jind DEMU
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Moreover, 20423/20424 Seoni-Firozpur Cantt. Patalkot Express and 15909/15910 Dibrugarh-Lalgarh Avadh Assam Express have scheduled stoppage at Jind (near Julana).

Besides, provision of stoppages is an on-going process, on Indian Railways, subject to operational feasibility, resource availability, traffic justification etc.
