

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3222  
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IMPORT OF MACHINES TO CHECK BRIDGES  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government propose to import special machines to examine the condition of worn out bridges with latest methods;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the expenditure likely to be incurred on the import of ultra modern machines; and
- (d) the time by which these machines are likely to be imported and made operative?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) to (d) In pursuance of the recommendations of Railway Safety Review Committee (RSRC), it is proposed to procure some mobile testing laboratories with State of Art Non-Destructive Testing Equipment for condition assessment of bridges. Initially, the equipments and Rail cum Road laboratories, at an approximate cost of Rs.12.7 crores, have been sanctioned in 2003-04. Some of the equipments, out of these, may get imported also. These equipments are likely to be procured in a years' time.