

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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REPLACEMENT OF UN-MANNED RAILWAY CROSSING WITH SUBWAYS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways had decided to replace unmanned railway crossings with subways;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Southern Railways have undertaken a massive project to convert unmanned level crossings into subways; and
- (d) if so, the details of such works undertaken by Southern Railways?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Replacement of Unmanned Level Crossing by Limited Height Subways are considered based on criteria of safety, closure of nearby level crossing, local road user's requirement etc. Recently, General Managers of Zonal Railways have been given powers to sanction Limited Height Sub-ways depending upon site conditions, costing up-to Rs. 45 lakhs each.

(c) and (d) All Zonal Railways including Southern Railway have been advised to identify the level crossings which could be replaced by Limited Height Subways and sanction them for their replacement.

As on 31.07.2007, Zonal Railways have identified 446 level crossings for replacement by Limited Height Subways. Out of this, 181 level crossings are located over Southern Railway.