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title: Need to operationalise rail bridge over river Bhagirathi at Nashipur, Murshidabad, West Bengal.

SHRI MD. BADARUDDOZA KHAN (MURSHIDABAD): Hon. Deputy-Speaker, Sir, so far as the question of new railway line in my district Murshidabad is concerned, two old demands are there. One is new railway line, namely, Krishnanagar-Behrampore *via* Karimpur and the second is Saithia to Chourigaha *via* Kandi. The second demand was announced in the Railway Budget of 2009 and surveyed in 2011-13 but in this Railway Budget, there is no mention about this railway line.

Then Krishnanagar to Behrampore *via* Karimpore is an important proposal because lakhs and lakhs of people are living there without railway connectivity with a district town and also with a capital city Kolkata. They are totally dependent on road transport which is also not adequate. Due to this, people of those areas are facing a lot of problems in their daily life, especially students, vegetable vendors, small businessmen, patients, etc. and youths are losing a lot of job opportunities.

Hence, I would request the Minister concerned to include these two proposals in this year's Railway Budget so that the people of that area may get some relief.