### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4037 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.03.2020

#### **UNDERPASS BETWEEN GONDA AND BICHIYA**

#### †4037. SHRI AKSHAIBAR LAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of underpasses being constructed between Gonda Junction and Bichiya Station of North Eastern railways, the details of length, width and height standards of each underpass;
- (b) whether farmers are not able to load their farm produce, sugarcane, etc. on vehicles due to low length, width and height of underpasses;
- (c) whether there is lot of difficulty in movement due to water logging in the underpass; and
- (d) if so, whether the Government proposes to take any steps to overcome the said short comings?

#### **ANSWER**

## MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) and (b): Total 32 Nos. of Underpasses are being constructed between Gonda Junction to Bichhiya station of North Eastern Railway. Out of which 16 Nos. underpasses are completed and at remaining underpasses, work is in progress. Underpasses are being provided of sufficient height, width & length through which vehicles carrying sugarcane and other products can pass.

In view of above, farmers are able to load their farm produce, sugarcane etc. on vehicles and pass through the Underpasses.

(c) and (d): No, Sir. At present there is no water logging, as such there is no difficulty in movement in underpasses. Sump well & cover shed is being provided on each under pass. During monsoon, de-watering is being done by providing sump & pump arrangement at each underpass.

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