

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1407
ANSWERED ON 06.12.2024

SALE OF OLD RAILWAY BRIDGES AS SCRAP

1407 SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have decided to sell various old bridges as scrap in various parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government had to put off the decision with regard to certain bridges owing to public outcry; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the present status thereof including Jharkhand and Gujarat?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1407 BY SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 06.12.2024 REGARDING SALE OF OLD RAILWAY BRIDGES AS SCRAP.

(a) to (d): No, Sir. However, the unserviceable released parts of the bridges namely steel girder etc. are disposed off as scrap to realize the value for released material.

In some cases, the abandoned railway bridges are handed over to concern state government for the purpose of using it for tourism purpose etc. on the request of state government, as done in the case of Godavari bridge (Havelock bridge) in Andhra Pradesh and Curzon bridge in Uttar Pradesh.
