

Railways Act, 1989

Section 14 - Temporary Entry Upon Land to Remove Obstruction, to Repair or to Prevent Accident

(1) Where in the opinion of a railway administration--

(a) there is imminent danger that any tree, post or structure may fall on the railway so as to obstruct the movement of rolling stock; or

(b) any tree, post, structure or light obstructs the view of any signal provided for movement of rolling stock; or

(c) any tree, post or structure obstructs any telephone or telegraph line maintained by it,

it may take such steps as may be necessary to avert such danger or remove such obstruction and submit a report thereof to the Central Government in such manner and within such time as may be prescribed.

(2) Where in the opinion of a railway administration--

(a) a slip or accident has occurred; or

(b) there is apprehension of any slip or accident to any cutting, embankment or other work on a railway,

it may enter upon any lands adjoining the railway and do all such works as may be necessary for the purpose of repairing or preventing such slip or accident and submit a report thereof to the Central Government in such manner and within such time as may be prescribed.

(3) The Central Government may, after considering the report under sub section (1) or sub-section(2), in the interest of public safety, by order, direct the railway administration that further action under sub-section (1) or sub-section (2) shall be stopped or the same shall be subject to such conditions as may be specified in that order.