1.4.6 Train Delay:

Most of the trains running in the country’s northwestern and southern regions face delay. Inadequate capacity of railway tracks is mainly responsible behind this problem. The number of railway passengers has increased over the years. Due to this reason, Bangladesh Railway is adding new trains in the regions without proper assessment. For example, the BR now operates 42 trains in Joydebpur-Ishwardi section to with a 174-km single track that connects the capital with the western zone via Bangabandhu Bridge while the section has a capacity of smoothly operating a maximum of 22 trains a day. To handle trains more than its maximum capacity, it has to apply block system”that allows only one train to run at a time from one station to the next one forcing other trains to wait which leads to train delay. The problem of disruption to train schedules is higher during occasional holidays like Eid-ul-fitre, Eid-ul-Adha, Durga Puja etc. To overcome the problem, multiple tracks are needed to be built to reduce rail crossing.