

RAIL TRAVEL

Cambodia's famous bamboo trains

around Battambang could be about to grind to a halt as plans to restore the country's train lines progress.

The homemade trains, known as 'norries', are powered by small motorcycle engines and can carry as many as 15 people.

One driver said that he and 40 others had been working at the tracks for 20 years, and they do not know how they will eat or care for their families. They are appealing to the government to 'please find another place to run the norries'. The government has said that it may relocate the railway to the nearby Banan district.

Difficult words: **grind to a halt** (move more and more slowly and then stop), **district** (an area in a country or a city).

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| 1. Bamboo trains new lines are in progress. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 2. The train holds up to 15 people. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 3. There are over 40 bamboo train drivers. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 4. Norries will be probably moved to other place. | TRUE | FALSE |

Find 3 interesting facts about the Orient Express Train.

Which train is the fastest in the world? Where does it run?

Which railway track is the most dangerous and why?