

(a) whether there is any proposal to construct direct railway line from Humnabad to Hyderabad; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and when it is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Train Accidents on Kodarma–Gaya Section

4060. SHRI BHUVNESHVAR PRASAD MEHTA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that one or two train accidents generally take place every month particularly at Gujhandi and Gurapa between Kodarma and Gaya on the Grand Chord rail line;

(b) whether a mafia group is involved in looting railway goods worth lakhs of rupees in each accident resulting in loss of crores of rupees to railways every year; and

(c) if so, the effective steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to check such accidents and save the loss to the Railways?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir. There were only 4 derailments between Gujhandi and Gurapa stations on the Grand Chord section during the first eight months of the current financial year.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Some of the important steps otherwise being taken to reduce accidents are

induction of technical devices to aid the human element, intensive and frequent inspections of sensitive installations, monitoring the performance of critical safety categories such as drivers, guards and station masters and patrolling of track etc.

Restructuring of Pay of Technical Supervisors in Northern Railway

4061. SHRI TEJNARAYAN SINGH:
SHRI V.S. VIJAYARAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Technical Supervisors at present in the Water Supply Department of Northern Railway;

(b) whether there supervisors are drawing less pay than their counterparts in the other Departments of Northern Railway;

(c) whether any case of restructuring of pay of these supervisors is pending since long;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the time by which a decision is likely to be taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) 5 (Two Inspector of Works Grade II in scale Rs. 1600–2660 and Three Inspector of Works Grade –III and scale Rs. 1400–2300).

(b) and (c). No, Sir.

(d) and (e). Do not arise.

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4062. SHRI S.B. SIDNAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state: