GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:533 ANSWERED ON:21.11.2002 DISASTER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM BODAKUNTI VENKATESHWARLU

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has constituted a high-level five- member committee to review the disaster management system;
- (b) if so, whether the Chairman of the Railway Boardhas set up two multi-disciplinary inspection teams to carry out intensive inspection of accident-prone sections on the entire railway work and suggest corrective measures at the level of the General Managers;
- (c) if so, whether the Committee have submitted its reports;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the time by which the Committee is likely to be submitted its report?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) Two multi-disciplinary Safety Teams comprising Officers of Railway Board have recently been constituted to undertake inspections of various Zonal Railways
- (c) Yes, Sir.
- (d) The teams have already conducted inspections of Lucknow Divisionof Northern Railway and Jhansi Division of Central Railway. The teams covered many items related to general maintenance of track, Bridges, Stations, Yards, Running Room, Accident Relief Trains/Accident Relief Medical Equipments, Crew Booking Lobby, Level Crossings etc. Corrective action is being taken.
- (e) The question does not arise.