

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:292
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POWER FAILURE AT DELHI RAILWAY STATION
SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI;SUNDER LAL TIWARI

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether due to sudden power failure at the Delhi Railway station on the night of January 4, 2001 the station plunged into darkness for quite sometime and many passengers sustained physical injuries and suffered monetary losses;
- (b) If so, whether any compensation was paid to the victims;
- (c) If not, the reasons therefore;
- (d) the action taken against the erring officials responsible for the same; and
- (e) the arrangements being made by the Government to prevent recurrence of such incidents at Delhi and other Metropolitan Railway stations in future?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS(SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

- (a): No, Sir. Although there was electric supply failure of DVB from 20.30 hrs to 21.25 hrs. on 4.1.2001 at Delhi Railway station, DG set provided was immediately started and emergency power supply restored. Starting of D G set and switching operations takes a normal time of about 2 minutes during which there was darkness at the station. However, no incident of physical injury of monetary loss to passengers was reported due to the power failure.
- (b) to (d): Does not arise.
- (e): The existing provision for DG sets at Delhi and other metropolitan Railway stations is adequate to feed the essential load during power supply failures.