

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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TRAINING OF STAFF IN GERMANY
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a team of officers of the Railway Board and Northern railway has been sent to Germany for training so as to operate the train properly in view of frequent accidents of train imported from Germany; and

(b) if so the expenditure incurred on this training and the benefits likely to be accrued to the Indian Railways from this training ?

Answer

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(a): About 20 Railway personnel consisting of officers and staff were deputed recently to Germany and Switzerland to understand maintenance systems followed for technology similar to the new German coaches and gain specific knowledge on maintenance practices.

(b): The estimated expenditure on the training of these 20 officers is approximately Rs.34 lakhs. The training has aided proper familiarization of maintenance and operational personnel with modern maintenance systems on the new coach technology. The above training has also facilitated acquiring knowledge in specific maintenance practices for important sub-assemblies and systems, which have been used on Indian Railway coaches for the first time. This training forms an essential element of the process of technology transfer. The new coach technology will lead to better riding and energy efficiency with added safety features.