GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3665 ANSWERED ON:16.08.2001 ACCIDENT AT LEVEL CROSSING IQBAL AHMED SARADGI

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether an express train ripped apart a truck at a level crossing near Byappanahalli on the outskirts of the Bangalore City on April 16, 2001:
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of persons killed/injured therein and value of the Government property damaged thereby;
- (d) whether any enquiry has been conducted in this regard;
- (e) if so, the outcome of the enquiry; and
- (f) the action taken against those held responsible?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

- (a) and (b): On 16.4.2001 while 272 passenger train was on run between Baiyyappanahalli and Heelalige stations at unmanned level crossing near Bangalore City, one lorry suddenly crossed the track and dashed against the train. This accident occurred on Bangalore Division of Southern Railway.
- (c): In this accident the Driver and Cleaner of thelorry received simple injuries. Cost of damage to Government property in this accident was Rs.50,000/-.
- (d) to (f): Above accident was inquired into by a Committee of Railway Officials and as per findings of the inquiry committee, this accident occurred due to negligence on the part of the lorry driver. An FIR has been lodged against him.