GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1576 ANSWERED ON:23.08.2007 DISRUPTION IN RAIL SERVICE Kaushal Shri Raghuvir Singh

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some incidents of disruption of railway services due to obstructions on rail routes in West Central Railway have been noticed:
- (b) if so, the details of such incidents during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (c) the details of the losses suffered and the amount spent by the Railways to compensate the losses due to obstructions on the said rail routes, accident-wise;
- (d) whether some special measures are being adopted to avoid cases of obstructions on the rail routes in the said zone; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof, zone wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. A Statement showing the details of disruption in rail obstructions reported over West Central Railway State-wise during the year 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007

(upto June) is enclosed as statement.

- (c): Losses suffered by the Railways due to disruption to traffic is not quantifiable in terms of money where compensation may be warranted.
- (d)&(e): The following measures are taken to prevent incidents of disruption of Railway services due to obstruction on rail routes whenever any intelligence / information is received, appropriate security arrangements are made in coordination with State Police/ Government Railway Police to prevent any type of disruption to rail traffic or any untoward incidents.
- 1. Regular exchange of intelligence / information is being made with Government Railway Police, Local Police / State and Central Intelligence Agencies.
- 2. Vulnerable / sabotage prone areas / sections have been identified and joint track patrolling by engineering staff, Railway Protection Force / Government Railway Police has been introduced.
- 3. Surprise night patrolling is being done in the affected sections.
- 4. Coordination meetings are being held from time to time with the Government Railway Police / Local Police to prevent such offences.