GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2954 ANSWERED ON:20.03.2008 DERAILMENT OF TRAINS Kharventhan Shri Salarapatty Kuppusamy

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of incidents regarding derailment of trains occurred during last one year and the places where it occurred;

(b) the details of loss to life and property caused by these incidents and duration for which traffic remained held up;

(c) the causes of derailment of trains;

(d) the steps taken by the Railways in this regard to replace outdated tracks;

(e) whether any plan has been prepared by the Railways to replace the outdated and old tracks; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (f): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2954 BY SHRI S. K. KHARVENTHAN TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 20.03.2008 REGARDING DERAILMENT OF TRAINS.

(a) to (c): There have been 96 derailments of trains on Indian Railways during 2006-07. Accident -wise details are at Appendix.

(d) to (f): Renewal of tracks is continuously monitored and replacements are planned accordingly. Renewals are sanctioned and carried out as and when they become due on age-cum condition basis, subject to availability of funds and resources. Such works are sanctioned every year through the Railway Budget.