

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:76
ANSWERED ON:19.02.2009
DISRUPTION OF TRAIN SERVICES DUE TO FOG
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of trains delayed/redirected as a result of fog in Delhi during the last winter season;
- (b) whether train accidents also took place due to fog during the said period;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Railways to deal with the operational difficulties being faced due to fog every year?

Answer

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS(SHRI LALU PRASAD)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 76 BY SHRI KINJARAPU YERRANNAIDU AND SHRI HEMLAL MURMU TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 19.02.2009 REGARDING DISRUPTION OF TRAIN SERVICES DUE TO FOG.

- (a) 1646 passenger trains got delayed and lost punctuality due to fog in Delhi Division during last two months from December 2008 to Jan.2009. However, no train was diverted on account of fog during this period.
- (b) No consequential train accident occurred on account of fog during this period in Delhi division.
- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) Action taken during foggy season to deal with train operation are:-
 - (i) Reducing the speed of train.
 - (ii) Intensive patrolling of tracks.
 - (iii) Deputing additional staff to alert the drivers through placement of detonators before the stop signals.
 - (iv) Improving the visibility of signals.