

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:41

ANSWERED ON:03.03.2005

RAIL ACCIDENTS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of train accidents taking place, including at railway level crossings, since December, 2004 till date, alongwith the causes of each accident, accident-wise;
- (b) the loss of railway properties and number of persons killed/injured alongwith the compensation paid to the victims/their family, accident-wise;
- (c) the details of inquiry ordered into each accident, their findings and the action taken against the officials found guilty;
- (d) the steps taken/to be taken by the Government to man the unmanned level crossings and to reduce the rail accidents there;
- (e) whether the Government is also considering the proposal to close the unmanned level crossings in view of the direction given by the Hon'ble Supreme Court thereon; and
- (f) if so, the progress made in this regard so far alongwith the alternative arrangements worked out by the Government therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI LALU PRASAD)

(a) to (f) : A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 41 ASKED BY SHRI SANTASRI CHATTERJEE AND SHRI C.K. CHANDRAPPAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 03.03.2005 REGARDING RAIL ACCIDENTS.

(a) & (b): There have been 41 consequential train accidents during the period December 2004 to January 2005. Type wise and cause wise details of these accidents along with number of persons killed/injured, ex-gratia/compensation paid to the victims/their families and loss of railway property, are given below:-

Cause of Accidents	Collisions crossing accidents	Derailments crossing trains accidents	Manned level	Unmanned level	Fire in	Total
Railway staff failure	4	20	1	-	-	25
Other than railway staff failure	-	-	-	9	1	10
Equipment failure	-	2	-	-	-	2
Sabotage	-	1	-	-	-	1
Incidental	-	2	-	-	-	2
Under Investigation	-	1	-	-	-	1
Total	4	26	1	9	1	41

Casualty

Killed	38	-	1	14	-	53
Injured	46	4	-	11	-	61

Inquiry

CRS Inquiry	1	1	-	1	-	3
Departmental Inquiry	3	25	1	8	1	38

Cost of damage (in Rs) 21910000 27726502 1000 44240 319858 50001600

Ex-gratia 4780000 - - - - 4780000

(in Rs)
Compensation# 4525000 - - - - 4525000

(in Rs)

(All figures are provisional).

Some cases are under process with Railway Claims Tribunal.

(c): Each and every train accident is inquired into either by a Joint Committee of Railway Officers or by the Commissioner of Railway Safety depending upon the seriousness of the accident and action as warranted is taken against the officials who are found guilty. Out of the above 41 consequential train accidents, 3 are under inquiry by the Commissioner of Railway Safety and the remaining 38 by departmental inquiry committees, out of which 33 have been finalized. Action against the responsible officials will be taken up as warranted by the findings. Details of individual accident cases are as at Appendix.

(d): Railways have framed a criteria based on traffic volume passing through level crossing and, visibility condition for road / rail users for manning of unmanned level crossing in a programmed basis, depending upon the availability of funds and resources. In the last three years, from 2001-02 to 2003-04, 531 unmanned level crossings have been manned. 211 unmanned level crossings have been programmed for manning in the current year 2004-05.

(e): Hon'ble Supreme Court has yet to give its judgment in the matter.

(f): Does not arise.

APPENDIX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (C) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.41 BY SHRI SANTASRI CHATTERJEE AND SHRI C.K. CHANDRAPPA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 3.3.2005 REGARDING 'RAIL ACCIDENTS'

CONSEQUENTIAL TRAIN ACCIDENTS DURING DECEMBER 2004 TO JANUARY 2005

Sl. No.	Date of accident	Type of accident	Train(s)	Locations	Division	Brief Particulars	Inquiry	Findings	Action taken
1.	06.12.2004	Derailment	5315 Exp.	Idgah Station	Agra	1 coach next to train engine derailed.	Departmental	Failure of railway staff	DAR action initiated.
2.	08.12.2004	Unmanned	262 Pass.	Akkihebbalu-Mandagere	Mysore	1 moped dashed against the train engine.	Departmental	Failure of other than railway staff	FIR lodged against road users.
3.	09.12.2004	Collision	Yard Pilot & 2392	Varanasi Station	Lucknow	Yard Pilot collided with 2392	Departmental	Failure of railway staff	DAR action initiated

4.	10.12.2 004	Derailment	Exp. KVL-8 Goods	Dabpal- Gidam	Waltair	Rear most 4 wagons derailed.	Departmental	Failure of railway staff	ed. DAR action initiated.
5.	12.12.2 004	Derailment	193 Pass.	Chauth ka Barwara Station	Jaipur	1 coach derailed.	Departmental	Failure of railway staff	DAR action initiated.
6.	12.12.2 004	Derailment	1 SHB Pass.	Malot - Pakki	Ambala	2 coaches derailed.	Departmental	Incidental	Nil
7.	13.12.2 004	Derailment	Up Massamari Goods	Udalguri - Rawta Bagan.	Rangia	10 wagons derailed.	Departmental	Failure of railway staff	DAR action initiated.
8.	13.12.2 004	Derailment	JSM - BNDM Goods	Shri Bhadriya Lathi - Odiانيا Chacha.	Jodhpur	1 wagon derailed.	Departmental	Failure of railway staff	DAR action initiated.
9.	14.12.2 004	Collision	9112 Dn & 1JMP pass.	Bhangala -Mirthal	Ferozpur	9112 Exp. Collided with 1 JMP Pass.	Commissioner of Railway Safety Departmental	Failure of railway staff	DAR action initiated.
10.	15.12.2 004	Unmanned level crossing	6124 Up Exp.	Mundiya mbak kam - Vikravandi.	Madras	1 Tempo dashed against the train.	Departmental	Failure of other than railway staff.	FIR lodged.
11.	18.12.2 004	Unmanned level crossing	246 Up pass.	Sidhwalia - Dighwa Dubauli	Varanasi	1 Tractor dashed against the train.	Departmental	Failure of other than railway staff.	FIR lodged.
12.	18.12.2 004	Unmanned level crossing	3246 Dn Exp.	Gauchari - Parsha	Sonepur	1 Tractor dashed against the train.	Departmental	Failure of other than railway staff.	FIR lodged.
13.	21.12.2 004	Unmanned level crossing	6 SD Pass.	Kashimpur - Baraut.	Delhi.	1 Bullock cart dashed against train.	Departmental	Failure of other than railway staff.	FIR lodged.
14.	21.12.2 004	Derailment	UP HGN Goods.	Malkaid Road - Chittapur	Secunderabad	9 wagons derailed.	Departmental	Failure of railway staff.	DAR action initiated.
15.	21.12.2 004	Derailment	Dn Titagarh Goods	Bandel Station	Howrah	2 wagons derailed	Departmental	Failure of railway staff #.	Awaited .
16.	25.12.2 004	Derailment	Up OGL Goods	Hoshangabad	Bhopal	3 wagons derailed	Departmental	Equipment Failure.	Awaited
17.	25.12.2 004	Fire	527 Up Pass.	Dheena - Sakaldiha	Danapur	1 coach caught fire.	Departmental	Failure of other than railway staff.	Awaited
18.	25.12.2 004	Derailment	DDL 23185 Goods	Sonnagar Station	Mughals arai	3 wagons derailed.	Departmental	Failure of railway staff.	DAR action initiated.
19.	27.12.2 004	Derailment	9112 Exp.	Manaksar - Hanumangarh	Bikner	1 coach derailed.	Departmental	Failure of railway staff.	DAR action initiated.
20.	02.01.2 005	Derailment	Up RNC Goods	Punchpiplia - Bajrang Garh	Ratlam	5 wagons derailed.	Departmental	Equipment Failure.	Awaited
21.	04.01.2 005	Derailment	579 UP Pass.	Gorakhpur Station.	Lucknow	Train engine derailed.	Departmental	Failure of railway staff.	DAR action initiated.
22.	05.01.2 005	Derailment	9024 Exp.	Kharawar - Sampla	Delhi	1 coach derailed.	Departmental	Incidental	Nil
23.	09.01.2 005	Unmanned level crossing	2424 Exp.	Dhoopguri - Koligaram	Alipurduar	1 Truck dashed against the train.	Departmental	Failure of other than railway staff.	FIR lodged.
24.	10.01.2 005	Collision	Diesel light engine & 2137 Up Mail.	Bhatinda Station	Ambala	Diesel light engine collided with 2137 Up mail.	Departmental	Failure of railway staff.	DAR action initiated.
25.	12.01.2 005	Derailment	8225 Exp.	Nagpur Station	Nagpur	2 coaches derailed.	Departmental	Failure of railway staff.	DAR action initiated.
26.	12.01.2	Unmanned	102 Dn	Shamsabad -	Izzatna	1 Jeep	Departmental	Failure of	FIR

	005	d level crossing	Pass.	Kaimganj	gar	dashed against the train.	ental	other than railway staff.	lodged.
27.	12.01.2 005	Unmanne d level crossin g	9031 Exp.	Adipur - Anjar	Ahmedab ad.	1 scooter dashed against the train.	Departm ental	Failure of other than railway staff.	FIR lodged.
28.	15.01.2 005	Derailm ent	Dn MUG Goods.	Mohd Khera - Shujalpur	Ratlam	5 wagons derailed.	Departm ental	Failure of railway staff.	DAR action initiat ed.
29.	16.01.2 005	Manned level crossin g	4853 Exp.	Rudauli - Rauzagaon	Lucknow	1 tractor dashed against the train.	Departm ental	Failure of railway staff.	DAR action initiat ed.
30.	17.01.2 005	Derailm ent	4265 Exp.	Haridwar Station	Moradab ad.	1 coach derailed.	Departm ental	Failure of railway staff #.	Awaited
31.	17.0.20 05	Derailm ent	2 BNM Pass.	Mandla Fort - Nainpur	Nagpur	Train engine derailed.	Departm ental	Failure of railway staff.	DAR action initiat ed.
32.	20.01.2 005	Derailm ent	406 Pass.	Khongsara - Bhanwar Tank	Bilaspur	Train engine derailed.	Departm ental	Failure of railway staff.	DAR action initiat ed.
33.	21.01.2 005	Unmanne d level crossing	002 Mixed Pass.	Chikhli Road - Rankuba	Mumbai Central	1 tractor dashed against the train.	Commiss ioner of Railway Safety	Failure of other than railway staff.	FIR lodged.
34.	23.01.2 005	Derailm ent	Up Harduaga nj Goods.	Manohar Ganj Station.	Allahab ad.	7 wagons derailed.	Departm ental	Failure of railway staff.	DAR action initiat ed.
35.	24.01.2 005	Derailm ent	5621 Exp.	Tilrath - Barauni	Sonepur	6 coaches derailed.	Commiss ioner of Railway Safety	Awaited.	Awaited
36.	24.01.2 005	Derailm ent	8238 Exp.	Nagpur Station.	Nagpur	Train engine derailed.	Departm ental	Failure of railway staff.	DAR action initiat ed.
37.	26.01.2 005	Collisi on	2 light engines.	Delhi Area	Delhi	Light engine collided with light engine ahead.	Departm ental	Failure of railway staff#	Awaited
38.	27.01.2 005	Derailm ent	1063 Exp.	Pakni Station	Solapur	Train engine derailed.	Departm ental	Sabotage#.	Awaited
39.	30.01.2 005	Derailm ent	Works train	Monghyr Station	Malda Town	3 coaches derailed.	Departm ental	Failure of railway staff.#	Awaited
40.	30.01.2 005	Derailm ent	9915 Exp.	Mehsana - Ahmedabad.	Ahmedab ad	Train engine & 2 coaches.	Departm ental	Failure of railway staff.	DAR action initiat ed.
41.	31.01.2 005	Derailm ent	VZP Goods	Gopalpatnam Station	Waltair	3 wagons derailed.	Departm ental	Failure of railway staff.	DAR action initiat ed.

Prima-facie findings
All figures are provisional