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SECURITY PLAN IN RAILWAYS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways are preparing a plan to tighten security to ensure safe running of trains in the terrorist, Maoists, Militants and insurgent groups affected zones;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the loss of revenue as well as loss suffered by the passengers and the Railways caused by terrorist and naxal attacks in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, zone-wise;
- (d) the zone-wise details of the compensation provided by the Railways to the families of the victims during the said period; and
- (e) the other steps taken by the Indian Railways to protect the railway property from militant, Maoists and insurgent groups attack?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) & (b): Policing on Railways is the responsibility of the Government Railway Police (GRP), which functions under the control of State Government concerned. Whenever any specific information is received regarding Terrorist / Militant / Maoist activities, Local Police / Government Railway Police (GRP) and Civil Authorities are requested to provide security to the Railway track, Railway passengers and Railway infrastructure to avoid any untoward incident. Concerned Zonal Railway authorities are also intimated for necessary action on their part.

In addition to action taken by civil and police authorities, following measures are taken by Railways for security of passengers:-

1. Integrated Security scheme consisting of CCTV Surveillance system, access control system, personal and baggage screening system and Bomb detection and disposal system has been finalized for 202 important stations and the same is under implementation.
2. Commando Training is being imparted to selected RPF staff to deal with insurgent attacks.
3. Sniffer Dog Squads in Divisions and Zones are being augmented.
4. Under modernization scheme, security gadgets are being procured and the weaponry is being upgraded.
5. Strength of RPF is being augmented. 5134 posts have been sanctioned. In addition to it, 3 RPSF Bns. One Commando Training Centre and 12 Mahila Companies have been approved in Budget 2010-11.

(c) & (d): The information is being collected.

(e): The other steps being taken by the Railways to protect the railway property from Militant, Maoists and insurgent groups are give as under:-

1. A high level co-ordination meeting with the State Home Secretaries, senior officials of Ministry of Home Affairs, Intelligence Bureau and Railways was held on 21-01-2010 at Rail Bhavan, New Delhi to improve security in Railways.
2. Close co-ordination is maintained with GRP and Civil Police at District and State level to share intelligence inputs.