GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1940 ANSWERED ON:05.08.2010 FUNCTIONING OF CCTV CAMERAS Punia Shri P.L.

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have installed CCTV cameras for security of railway stations of major metropolitan cities of the country;

(b) if so, whether CCTV footages are monitored regularly;

(c) if so, the number of criminal cases came to light through these CCTV cameras in the country; and

(d) if not, the concrete steps being taken by the Railways for improving the security of these stations?

Answer

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

(a) and (b) Yes, Madam.

(c) 284 no. of criminal cases came to light through these CCTV Cameras during the year 2009 and in 2010, 125 cases have come to light upto June.

(d) The following additional measures are being taken for improving security:

(A) Modernization of RPF

1) To augment passenger security, setting-up of an All India RPF Help-Line has been approved in Works Programme 2010-11. The above Help-Line will be accessed by the passengers round the clock in the hour of need.

2) Networking of Security Control Rooms and Posts of RPF at Divisions, Zones and Railway Board has been approved to improve faster data collection, information dissemination and ensure better crime control.

3) Procurement of modern security equipment is being done by the zonal railways.

4) Installation of integrated Security System at vulnerable Stations.

(B) Strengthening of RPF:

(i) 5134 additional non-gazetted posts in RPF have been created .

(ii) Three "Railway Protection Special Force" Battalions have been sanctioned under works Programme 2010-2011. Making available of land/ infrastructural development and creation of manpower for establishment of 3 battalions is under process.

(iii) A Commando Training Centre has been sanctioned for RPF at Canning in Eastern Railway, so as to augment training facilities to RPF personnel. Making available of land for developing infrastructure facilities, and creation of manpower is under process.

(iv) For strengthening security of women passengers, raising of 12 companies of women RPF personnel to be named "Mahila Vahini" has been approved. Creation of manpower is under process.