GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1978 ANSWERED ON:05.08.2010 DELHI-GUWAHATI RAJDHANI EXPRESS TRAIN Choudhary Shri Bhudeo

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Rajdhani Express met an accident near Bhagalpur district of Bihar recently;

(b) if so, the number of coaches of Delhi-Guwahati Rajdhani Express got damaged alongwith full details of the injured persons;

(c) whether the Railways have conducted any enquiry into the matter; and

(d) if so, the outcome of the said enquiry and the action taken against the erring officials, if any?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. On 25.05.2010 at 06.35 hours, fourteen coaches of Delhi-Guwahati Rajdhani Express (train No.2424) derailed between Kharik-Naugachhia stations of Barauni-Katihar section of Sonepur Division of East Central Railway. In this accident, two passengers sustained simple injuries.

(c) & (d): Yes, Madam. Statutory inquiry into the above accident is being conducted by the Commissioner of Railway Safety, Eastern Circle and its report is awaited. Necessary action will be taken after receipt of the report.