

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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SAFETY OF RAILWAY TRACKS  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether trains are plying on the tracks having no paddle fastener clip;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by Railways in this matter?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c) No, Madam. Pandrol clips (now called elastic rail clips) are used on Indian Railways. Daily patrolling of track is done on Indian Railway to ensure that there are no missing clips. However, instances of theft of track fittings, including elastic rail clips, do get reported from time to time. Immediate action is taken to replace them.