

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2617  
ANSWERED ON:25.11.2010  
ACCIDENT DUE TO HUMAN ERROR  
Rajbhar Shri Ramashankar

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether it is a fact that running staff of the Railways are overworked and remain under stress resulting in increasing number of accidents;
- (b) if so, the details of the rail accidents occurred during the last three years due to the human error of the running staff of the Railways; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Railways to address this problem more effectively?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2617 BY SHRI RAMASHANKER RAJBHAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 25.11.2010 REGARDING ACCIDENT DUE TO HUMAN ERROR.

(a): No, Madam.

(b): The consequential train accidents attributable to failure of the Loco Pilots in 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10 were 12, 21 and 12, respectively.

(c): Measures taken by the railways to improve efficiency of Loco Pilots and to reduce their stress level include monitoring implementation of rest rules, upgradation of running rooms/lobbies with better amenities, introduction of yoga and meditation classes in induction and refresher courses at Zonal Railway Training Institutes, trials of air-conditioned loco cabs, etc.