GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1307 ANSWERED ON:03.03.2011 SECURITY AT RAILWAY STATIONS Yadav Shri Dharmendra

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the deployment of security personnel at the major railway stations is adequate in terms of passenger load handled by such railway stations;

(b) if not, the measures being undertaken to deploy additional security personnel to man these railway stations and to control the crowd on the platforms;

(c) whether it is a fact that most of the Door Frame Metal Detectors at some major railway stations have become dysfunctional due to faulty equipment; and

(d) if so, the efforts being made to overcome these problems?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Security personnel are deployed by the Railway Protection Force (RPF) and the Government Railway Police (GRP) at major railway stations.

Security needs are assessed from time to time and required action taken. Various measures have been taken in the recent past to ensure better security at major railway stations:

(i) 5134 new posts have been sanctioned in RPF.

(ii) (ii) Proposal has been sent to the Ministry of Finance for creation of 3789 more posts in RPF.

(iii) An Integrated Security System is in final stages of implementation over 202 vulnerable stations of the country for strengthening of security surveillance mechanism.

(iv) An All India Security Help Line is being setup which will be accessed by passengers round the clock from any corner of the country for security related assistance in railway premises and during train journey.

(v) Networking of security control rooms and important RPF posts is being done for speedy dissemination of information and data relating to crime.

(vi) 4 Mahila Vahinies of RPF have been created for security of women passengers and 8 more such Vahinies are under process of creation.

(c) & (d) No. As and when security related equipment are found dysfunctional or faulty, arrangement for repair/replacement are done accordingly.