GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4993
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RAIL ACCIDENT DUE TO HUMAN ERROR
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways propose to equip all electric and diesel engines with air-conditioners;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the estimated expenditure likely to be incurred thereon; and
- (c) the details of the total number of rail engines in the country and the number of staff employed to run them for each of the last three years and the current year?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes, Madam.
- (b) 33 numbers of electric engines have been provided with air conditioning so far. Further, a provision of 50 air conditioners for diesel engines has been made during the current year 2010-11. Estimated cost of air conditioning of an engine is about 12 lakhs each. Balance fleet of engines will be provided with air conditioners in a phased manner.
- (c) The details are as under:

Year Number of Electric Number of Diesel Engines Engines employed					Total	Number of Staff
2007-08	3294	5021	8315	558644		
2008-09	3443	4985	8428	558011		
2009-10	3586	5105	8691	573464		