

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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COMMANDO BATTALIONS IN RAILWAY
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the present strength of the Commando Battalions in railways is not enough to meet the threat of Naxalites and terrorists;
- (b) if so whether there is a need to recruit the more commandos in railways;
- (c) if so, the total requirement of such personnel and the time by which these personnel will be recruited;
- (d) the total expenditure likely to be incurred on their recruitment; and
- (e) the extent to which the security will be augmented in Railways?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): There is no Commando Battalion in Railways at present. The commandos are not recruited directly in railways. Some of the existing RPF/RPSF personnel are being imparted commando training with various organizations like NSG, CRPF, Punjab Police, Assam Rifles etc.

(e): The deployment of trained personnel will definitely improve the security scenario.