GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

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LOOPHOLES IN SECURITY SYSTEMS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether recently the Delhi Police have found several loopholes in the security system at railway stations in the National Capital;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Railways thereto;
- (c) whether the Railways have taken cognizance to the report brought out by the Comptroller and auditor General(CAG) regarding the security management in Railways; and
- (d) if so, the necessary steps taken in response to that as well beefing up security at major railway stations of the country in coordination with State Governments?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) A joint survey was conducted by Delhi Police, RPF and Railway authorities for strengthening of security at railway stations in National Capital Region. During the joint survey, several points for improvement in the security set up at railway stations have been noted.

Special emphasis has been laid with regard to improvement of the existing security arrangements at railway stations in Delhi area. The number of entry and exit points have been rationalized and their entries regularized for proper access control. The perimeter boundary wall in the station area have been strengthened including fixing of concertina type barbed wires for prevention of unauthorized entry. With the available equipment and deployment of additional RPF/RPSF staff, effort has been made to ensure proper access control.

(c) & (d) Yes, Madam. Prevention & detection of crime and maintenance of Law & Order in station premises and trains is the responsibility of respective State Governments which they discharge through Government Railway Police. To supplement efforts of State Governments, various steps have been taken for beefing up of security at major railway stations which include escorting of trains nomination of stations for installation of Integrated Security System, Procurement of modern security related equipment, creation of additional posts, establishment of new RPSF battalions, setting up of commando training centers, Networking of security control rooms & setting up of all India Security Help Line etc.