GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2695 ANSWERED ON:29.03.2012 ACCIDENT IN PALAKKAD DIVISION Raghavan Shri M. K.

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of accidents occurred in Palakkad Division during the current year;
- (b) whether all the trains operating in the Palakkad Division have been equipped with Anti-Collusion Devices;
- (c) if not, the details of the trains which have not been equipped with this equipment; and
- (d) the time frame within which this will be installed on all the trains in the division?

Answer

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

- (a): No consequential train accident has occurred on Palakkad Division of Southern Railway during the current year 2011-12 till date.
- (b): No, Madam.
- (c): Anti Collision Devices (ACD) have not been provided on sections of Palakkad Division.
- (d): Deployment of ACD was initially approved as a pilot project on Northeast Frontier Railway covering 1736 Kilometres. Based on experience, the specifications and design configuration of ACD were revised and the system as evolved was tried on electrified multiple lines and automatic signaling section of Southern Railway. Operational and technical problems noticed in trials are being looked into and a new ACD Version II after successful validation and certification will undergo extensive conformity trials once again before implementation on Indian Railways.