GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have taken a decision to modernise the Railway Protection Force (RPF) and equip it with modern equipment;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the fund earmarked for the said purpose?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): To supplements efforts of States for better protection and security of railway property, passengers and passengers area, security has been identified as one of the priority areas by Railways for strengthening and upgradation. Efforts made to modernize the Railway Protection Force to strengthen railway security in recent past include nomination of 202 stations for installation of Integrated Security System, procurement of modern security related equipment, setting up of an All India Security Help Line, networking of RPF Posts and Security Control Rooms, establishment of a commando training center and three new RPSF Battalions, upgradation of RPF training centers etc.
- (c): 353 crore is sanctioned for implementation of Integrated Security System. Budget is sanctioned for security related works under Works Programme and Machinery & Plant (M&P) Programme of Railways every year based on requirements.