

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2065
ANSWERED ON:23.08.2012
ACCIDENT DUE TO FOG
Ramkishun Shri ;Thakor Shri Jagdish

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of train accidents occurred due to fog during each of the last three years and the current year, division-wise; and
- (b) the steps taken/being taken by the Railways to check the recurrence of such train accidents?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2065 BY SHRI RAMKISHUN AND SHRI JAGDISH THAKOR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 23.08.2012 REGARDING ACCIDENT DUE TO FOG.

(a): No consequential train accident on Indian Railways has been attributed to fog as the cause of the accident.

(b): Visibility of signals and track ahead gets impaired during foggy weather and safety is ensured by providing warning to loco pilots of approaching signals and control of train's speed by them. Vigilance and alertness of the Loco Pilot and observance of special rules and instructions regarding speed limits under such conditions are the best means to prevent accidents during foggy weather. Technological options being pursued by Indian Railways for prevention of collisions, including during conditions of poor visibility are the Anti Collision Device (ACD), Train Protection and Warning System (TPWS), Vigilance Control Device (VCD). These systems are under various stages of service trials and/or deployment over different zones of Indian Railways in a phased manner.