

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2281

ANSWERED ON:06.12.2012

ENCROACHMENT ON RAILWAY LAND

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number and the details of encroachments and illegal dwelling units erected on railway land in the country, State/Zone-wise;
- (b) the number and details of such encroachments/dwelling units removed by the Railways during the last three years, and the current year, year-wise;
- (c) whether the Railways propose any scheme for rehabilitation of these encroachers or poor habitants of illegal dwelling units in country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2281 BY SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY, SHRI HAMDULLAH SAYEED, SHRI S.PAKKIRAPPA AND SHRIMATI JYOTI DHURVE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 06.12.2012 REGARDING ENCROACHMENT ON RAILWAY LAND.

(a): The details of encroachment are maintained zone-wise as under

As on 31.03.2012

RAILWAY	No. of encroachment	Area (in acre) under encroachment
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Central	26233	151.91
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East Coast	944	18.577
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East Central	7122	9.3121
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Eastern	9220	52.736
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North Central	2382	122.39
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North Eastern	2616	59.13
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North East Frontier	1453	398.814
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Northern	29233	532.19
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North West	993	46.079
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South Central	1998	30.11
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South East Central	9207	106.5363
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South Eastern	6335	398
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Southern	9315	152.96
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South Western	404	40.1544
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West Central	698	100.878
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Western	13505	118.17
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TOTAL	121658	2337
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(b): Area reclaimed from Encroachments year-wise (in acres):-

2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13 (upto October)
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(c) to (e): For Rehabilitation and Resettlement (R&R) of encroachers on Railway land, a scheme known as `Sukhi Griha` was launched sometime back on pilot basis at 4 stations on Railways. Meanwhile, R&R of poor families with a vision of `Slum free India` has been undertaken by Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation under Rajiv Awas Yojana (RAY). The scheme envisages whole city slum free approach for R&R of slum dwellers in the cities identified by the State Government. All the slums in a city including those on Railway land, shall be covered for rehabilitation whenever State Governments identify the cities for R&R under this scheme.