

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:218
ANSWERED ON:03.12.2009
PILFERAGE AT RAILWAY GODOWNS/ YARDS
Nahata Smt. P. Jaya Prada;Verma Shri Sajjan Singh

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether attention of the Railways have been drawn to cases of pilferage at different Railway godowns and yards in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years and the current year, division-wise; and
- (c) the action being taken by the Railways to check such activities?

Answer

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.218 BY SHRI SAJJAN VERMA AND SHRIMATI JAYA PRADA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 03-12-2009 REGARDING PILFERAGE AT RAILWAY GODOWNS / YARDS.

(a) & (b): Yes Madam. Details of cases of pilferage at different Railway godowns and yards over various divisions of Zonal Railways for the last three years and the current year 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009 (Upto September) is enclosed as appendix.

(c): The following preventive measures have been taken to control such thefts: -

0. Escorting of trains carrying valuable and important consignments.
1. Patrolling in yards and other vulnerable areas / sections.
2. Conducting raids on the dens of criminals and receivers of stolen Railway Property in order to bring them to book.
3. Armed RPF pickets are deployed in vulnerable sections as and when required.
4. Plain clothed RPF personnel are deployed to collect crime intelligence with a view to tracking down criminals and receivers of stolen Railway property.
5. Cases of theft / pilferage of Railway property are being reviewed regularly and necessary preventive measures are taken to stop such incidents.
6. Dog Squads are deployed for patrolling in yards and vulnerable areas.
7. Close co-ordination among the RPF, the GRP and the Local Police is maintained at various levels to deal with criminals and receivers of stolen Railway Property.