GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3534 ANSWERED ON:10.12.2009 STRAYING CATTLE ON RAILWAY TRACK Kumar Shri Vishwa Mohan;Pandey Shri Ravindra Kumar

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the railway services are being disrupted due to stray cattle and pets on railway tracks;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any provision exists for imposing penalty on cattle owners under Railway Act to check such incidents;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the remedial steps taken/being taken by the Railways thereon?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes, Madam.
- (b) Due to cattle run over the total number of trains that have lost punctuality on the zonal railways during the month of November,2009 is approximately 298 trains.
- (c) No, Madam.
- (d) Does not arise.
- (e) Drivers of trains are instructed to keep a sharp lookout and whistle frequently in all such cases.