

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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SUICIDES ON METRO TRACK
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether suicide cases on metro track is constantly increasing;
- (b) If so, the details thereof;
- (c) Whether the Government has taken or proposes to take any concrete steps in order to prevent such incidents;
- (d) If so, the details therefore; and
- (e) If not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

(a) & (b): Suicide cases have been reported only in Delhi Metro Rail Network. Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) has conveyed that 15 persons had committed suicide in 2012 which has come down to 13 in 2013 and 08 in 2014.

(c) to (e): The steps taken by Metro Organizations to prevent suicide attempts over Metro Rail Network are as below:

- i. Platform Screen Doors (PSD) are planned to be provided on heavily crowded stations and metro lines;
- ii. Height of the railing towards the end of the platforms for the elevated stations has been increased;
- iii. Large numbers of CCTV cameras have been installed;
- iv. CISF/Security staffs placed in platforms are instructed to monitor and alert the passengers;
- v. Train operators are instructed to be alert while approaching the platforms;
- vi. Yellow lines are marked on the platform edges;
- vii. Gates (locked) are provided at the platform edges towards the walkway, to prevent passengers entering into the viaduct;
- viii. Shrouds (insulators) are placed over 3rd rail (Carrying high voltage) to prevent passengers coming in contact with 3rd rail directly;
- ix. Warning instructions/signs are displaced over 3rd rail shrouds to alert passengers of high voltage;
- x. Emergency trip systems (with phone communication) are placed in the platforms to switch off the 3rd rail supply in case of emergency and;
- xi. Emergency stops Plungers are placed in the platforms to stop the train in case of emergency.