

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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CLOSURE OF METRO STATIONS  
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**Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether commuters have to face frequent closure of important metro stations in New Delhi;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to introduce any system for providing advance alerts to metro commuters for intimation regarding such closures;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU)

(a) & (b): Delhi Metro Rail Corporation Ltd. (DMRC) has informed that it had to close the following metro stations during the last one year:-

Month	Number of incidents of metro stations closure	Name of the metro stations closed	Reason
July, 2013	01	Saket	Water dripping in platform area
December, 2013	01	Rajiv Chowk, Patel Chowk, Barakhamba Road	Security
January, 2014	04	Patel Chowk, Central Secretariat, Udyog Bhawan, Race Course	Security
February, 2014	01	Central Secretariat, Udyog Bhawan	Security
March, 2014	02	Jor Bagh, INA	Security
April, 2014	02	Tilak Nagar, Subhash Nagar, Janak Puri East, Tagore Garden, Jor Bagh, INA, Race Course	Security
June, 2014	01	Patel Chowk, Central Secretariat, Udyog Bhawan, Race Course	Security

Total 12

(c) to (e): DMRC has informed that if the closure of metro station is pre-planned and known in advance, the message is conveyed through media and by making prior announcements at stations. In case of sudden closure due to unforeseen incidents, announcements at stations and inside the trains are made. The electronic media is also informed to broadcast the station closure message. Out of the above 12 cases 4 were informed in advance and 8 were sudden closures.