

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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AUDIT OF PASSENGER RAKE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have undertaken audit of passenger rake to assess quality of fire retardant material used therein;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Railways have witnessed many fire incidents on trains during the last three years and the current year;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, year-wise; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Railways to ensure use of quality fire retardant material in the coaches?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) & (b) Each passenger rake is being periodically checked in coaching depot as per laid down maintenance schedules. Fire retardant materials for coaching stock are being procured as per laid down quality in the relevant applicable technical specification.

(c) & (d) Yes, Madam. Details of consequential fire accidents occurred during last 03 yrs and current year are as under:

Year	No. of fire accident cases
2014-15	3
(upto October 2014)	
2013-14	7
2012-13	9
2011-12	4

(e) Fire retardant material in coaches is being used after testing and inspection as per laid down procedure and only material conforming to the specification is being used.