

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:863
ANSWERED ON:27.11.2014
ATTACKS BY NAXALITES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of incidents of sabotage/attacks by Maoists/Naxalites/terrorists/anti-social elements on trains, stations, railway assets etc. during the last three years and the current year, year and zone-wise;
- (b) the total number of persons killed/injured along with the loss of assets as a result thereof during the said period;
- (c) whether any investigation into these incidents has been conducted and if so, the outcome thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Railways to address the issue and minimize the damage?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 863 BY SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 27.11.2014 REGARDING ATTACKS BY NAXALITES

(a) and (b): The number of incidents of sabotage/attacks by Maoists/Naxalites/terrorists/ anti-social elements on trains, stations, railway assets etc, and number of persons killed, injured in these incidents along with the loss of assets during the years 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 (Upto October) is appended.

(c): All the cases reported are registered and investigated by the Government Railway Police of the States concerned, as the 'law and order' is the subject of the State.

(d): Policing on Railways being a State subject, prevention of crime, registration of cases, their investigation and maintenance of law and order in Railway premises as well as on running trains are the statutory responsibility of the State Governments, which they discharge through Government Railway Police (GRP). However, the Railway Protection Force supplements the efforts of the State Governments by augmenting security arrangements in naxal affected areas by way of increasing the strength of Railway Protection Force (RPF) train escorting parties in trains over affected sections and deploying staff for access control duties at important and sensitive stations. The RPF train escorting parties in Naxalite/Maoists affected areas are equipped with sophisticated weapons, sufficient ammunition, bullet proof jackets, walkie-talkies, dragon search lights, etc. Besides, regular coordination is maintained with state governments concerned and intelligence inputs are shared with Intelligence Bureau and civil administration including GRP and Civil Police.