

>

Title: Need to deploy adequate security personnel and beef up security at railway stations at Pune, Shivajinagar, Hadapsar, Kirkee, Dehuroad and Lonawala in Maharashtra.

SHRI SURESH KALMADI (PUNE): Railway stations at Pune, Shivajinagar, Hadapsar, Kirkee, Dehuroad and Lonawala are lacking adequate security arrangements.

The sanctioned strength of GRP personnel at Pune railway Station is 170 but currently there are only 125 GRP constables. Given the large jurisdiction of Pune station, it actually needs at least 200 policemen as there is a need to deploy policemen at each of the dozen entry points, platforms and on trains. Besides that a number of policemen have to be deployed for frequent VIP visits which further shrink the availability of police for general passengers.

Similarly, the actual strength of RPF personnel is only 414 at above said stations against the sanctioned strength of 514 and a plan to deploy 200 more has remained on paper only.

As of now there are only 12 woman GRP constables at Pune Station whereas there should be at least 50 as they are required to be deployed at women's coaches in local, express, passenger trains and on platforms as well.

**Considering the growing need of security personnel, I urge upon the Minister of Railways to deploy adequate strength of security personnel and beef up security at above said railway stations.**