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Title: Need to increase the GRP Police stations throughout Odisha and to control the menace of Naxalites and maintain law and order

DR. KULMANI SAMAL (JAGATSINGHPUR): Sir, I would like to raise an important matter regarding my State to enhance the new power strength of Government Railway Police in Odisha.

The jurisdiction of both the GRP districts in Odisha spreads over about 1701 kilometres by rail under the railway zones, namely, South Eastern Railways, Garden Reach Kolkata and East Coast Railways, Bhubaneswar and South East Central Railways Bilaspur. In course of time, new long distance express trains and passenger train have been introduced. There is increase in volume of passengers by leaps and bounds. At present, approximately 200 trains are plying through Odisha in addition to the new rail lines spreading over 516 kilometres. Apart from that, on festive occasions more number of trains are plying to manage the volume of passengers. Plying of goods trains have also increased noticeably due to growing industrialization.

Therefore, I would request the Union Government to increase the GRP police stations throughout Odisha and to control the menace of Naxalites and maintain law and order.