

Title: Need to look into the causes of repeated train derailments in Vijaywada Division of South Central Railway and take steps to avoid recurrence of such incidents.

SHRIMATI LAKSHMI PANABAKA (NELLORE): Sir, I would like to bring to your kind notice that for the last few days repeated derailments are taking place in Vijayawada Division of the South Central Railway resulting in death and injuries to passengers. Hence, there is an imperative need to provide more safety to the passengers and trains.

On 25th July evening, one goods train derailed near Eluru resulting in death of seven persons and injuries to five others.

On 26th evening the Visakhapatnam Express 7015 derailed at Nadikudi Station in which 11 bogies derailed resulting in injuries to 53 persons.

Again, on 29th July morning, Train No.2724, Narayanadri Express derailed between Vijayawada and Gudur Division. Injuries and deaths are not known. On 30th and 31st of July, and on 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th of August also, trains derailed in the same Division. Track maintenance is not good in Vijayawada Division.

The Railway authorities should look into the causes of these repeated train derailments and take steps to avoid recurrence of such incidents. They should also provide safety and security to passengers and railway property.

Thanking you.