## LOK SABHA DEBATES

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Thursday, June 26, 1980/Asadha 5, 1902 (Saka)

The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the Clock.

[Mr. SPEAKER in the Chair]

MEMBER SWORN

Shri Virbhadra Singh (Mandi)

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

## Unauthorised Passengers in Reserved Compartments

\*264. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- that many unauthorised passengers travel mostly in reserved compartments from intermediary stations; and
- (b) if so, the steps Government have taken in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Cases of unauthorised short-distance passengers entering reserved coaches have been reported.

(b) All the reserved coaches are manned by Travelling Ticket Examiners Coach Attendants who are required to prevent the entry of unauthorised passengers.

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SHRI G. Y KRISHNAN: The way in which the answer has been given shows that either the question has not been understood or they are evading a proper answer.

It is true that the TTEs and coach attendants are there in the trains, but my question is specific regarding unauthorised passengers who enter reserved coaches at intermediate stations. What are the steps that the Ministry is taking to prevent it? That has not been answered. May I know whether the number of unauthorised passengers from intermidiate stations is increasing or decreasing

SHRI MALLIKARJUN: The question has been properly understood. It is only from the intermediate stations that unauthorised passengers enter the reserved coaches. Essentially, the preventive measures taken regularly are through the TTEs and coach attendants, but because of the deteriorating law and order situation, sometimes a group of persons enter at a particular station, and the resistance put up by the TTE/ and the coach conductor is not sufficient. such cases, these persons are asked to get down at the next station they do not do so the police take them into custody and regular proceedings are taken against them.

SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN: Again, it has been avoided. I asked a specific question whether the cases are increasing or decreasing day by day.

SHRI MALLIKARJUN: They are increasing in accordance with the indiscipline of the people because of the law and order situation. Therefore, the administration is taking maximum preventive measures.