

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1235  
ANSWERED ON:07.03.2002  
SECURITY SURCHARGE ON PASSENGER TICKETS  
RAGHUVIR SINGH KAUSHAL

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the income earned by the Railways during the current financial year till date due to security surcharge on passenger tickets, zone-wise;
- (b) the extent to which this surcharge helped the Government in improving the security in Railways;
- (c) whether the upgradation of Railways signalling system has also been covered under the scheme;
- (d) if so, the names of tracks for which signalling system are proposed to be upgraded;
- (e) whether there is any proposal to upgrade the signalling system on Kota-Bina railway track in Kota Divisionis under consideration of the Government;
- (f) if so, whether the said work is proposed to be completed under the said item; and
- (g) if not, the reasons therefor ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIST RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a) to (g) A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1235 BY SHRI RAGHUVIR SINGH KAUSHAL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 7.3.2002 REGARDING SECURITY SURCHARGE ON PASSENGER TICKETS.

(a) No security surcharge was levied. From 1.10.2001 safety surcharge on passenger tickets has been levied and Zonal Railway-wise details of safety surcharge collection (Approximate) upto 31.1.2002 is as under:

Zonal Railway	Amount (in crore of Rs.)
Central	37.77
Eastern	25.98
Northern	30.52
N.E.	9.54
N.F.	2.14
Southern	22.79
S.C.	19.13
S.E.	9.15
Western	37.27
Metro Rly. Calcutta	2.50

(b) Out of the total of Rs.1400 crore available under Special Railway Safety Fund during the current financial year, the safety surcharge is expected to contribute Rs.400 crore. This special Railway Safety Fund is to be utilised to clear the arrears of overaged assets, renewals and replacements on the Railways viz. Track Renewals, Bridges, Signalling, Rolling Stock, etc.

(c) Yes, sir.

(d) The railwaywise names of Track with details for which signalling systems are proposed to be upgraded are available in the Works, Machinery and Rolling Programme of Railways for 2002-03, Part-III presented to the House on 26th February alongwith Railway Budget.

(e) The following signalling works on Kota-Bina section on Kota Division have been included in the Works, Machinery and Rolling Programme of Railways for 2002-03, Part-III;

(i) Replacement of overaged signalling gears with modern signalling system at Bina.

(ii) Provision of Fouling Marks to Fouling Marks track circuiting (main run through line) at 12 stations on Bina-Kota section.

(f) Yes, Sir.

(g) Does not arise.