GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2511
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ACCIDENT DUE TO TRACK CONDITION
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether more than 55% rail accidents are caused by human errors;
- (b) if so, the response of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the drivers frequently complain about the track conditions;
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (e) whether the Government propose to fix responsibility on higher officials regarding each and every complaints made by running staff;
- (f) if so, the steps taken by the Government thereto; and
- (g) the action taken by the Government against those officials who have not taken care about the complaints made by the running staff?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Sir. While `failure of Railway Staff` is responsible for approximately 60% of rail accidents in the last three years, `failure of other than Railway staff` accounts for approximately 25% of rail accidents. To enhance the quality of our Human Resources, training with modern aids, and a more effective and efficient supervision are being resorted to.
- (c) to (g): Figures related to details of Driver's complaints about the track conditions are not maintained. Report of track defects as and when received are delayed to divisional control office and immediate corrective action is taken to ensure safety.