GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:663 ANSWERED ON:24.07.2003 PASSENGER SECURITY MEASURES IN TRAINS A. VENKATESH NAIK

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the safety and security of passengers are neglected by the Government Railway Police inspite of huge amount spent by the Railways on the Government Railway Police;

(b) whether the Railways are not able to fix responsibility of each crime on running trains;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Railways have any plan to fix responsibility of crime committed on running trains;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) if not, the reasons for spending huge amount on security of passengers while the State Government are not providing security to the passengers;

(g) whether the Railways propose to review the present system of passengers security in trains; and

(h) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) No, Sir. Government Railway Police is the statutory agency to deal with each crime and is discharging its functions.

(b) No, Sir. GRP is responsible for curbing crimes in running trains. However, serious cases of crime like murder/rape/dacoity/robbery are taken up with concerned GRP Chief so that they induce their staff to solve the crimes.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

(f) As explained at (a) above, GRP under the State Government are the sole statutory agency to deal with crimes on passengers in running trains. Railways bear 50% of the entire cost of GRP, the other 50% being borne by the State Government.

(g) No, Sir. However, RPF is deployed to augment GRP whenever there is a spate of crimes in running trains.

(f) Does not arise.