

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2739
ANSWERED ON:06.12.2001
BLAST AT KUNERU RAILWAY STATION
VUKKALA RAJESWARAMMA

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether Naxalites of the People`s War Group (PWG) was blasted Kuneru Railway Station near Parvathipuram in Andhra Pradesh on October 28, 2001;
- (b) If so, whether the railway signaling and tele-communication equipment and other railway properties were completely damaged;
- (c) If so, the total loss suffered by Railways in this blast; and
- (d) The preventive steps taken to stop such incidents in future?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir.

(b) Rs. 76,500/- Approximately.

(c) Maintenance of Law and Order is a State Subject and hence the responsibility to prevent such incidents lies with the State Governments. However, the Railways on their part, have deployed armed pickets at vulnerable stations to supplement the efforts of the State Governments.