

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2999  
ANSWERED ON:11.05.2006  
REPLACEMENT OF FRACTURED RAILWAY LINES  
Khan Shri Mohammad Tahir;Yadav Shri Kailash Nath Singh

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

- (a) whether instances of fractures in the railway lines at various places in Uttar Pradesh as reported in Dainik Jagaran, dated March 18, 2006 have come to the notice of Railways;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard;
- (c) the reasons as to why fractures developed on the railway lines; and
- (d) the steps taken for replacement of fractured railway lines?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NARANBHAI J. RATHWA)

(a) to (d): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2999 BY SHRI KAILASH NATH SINGH YADAV AND SHRI MOHD.TAHIR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 11/05/2006, REGARDING REPLACEMENT OF FRACTURED RAILWAY LINES.

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Nine rail fractures took place on 17-03-06 on New Delhi-Palwal section. One weld fractures took place at Km 1496/8-6 DN line near Najibabad.

(c): Fractures on Delhi-Palwal section occurred due to a mechanical defect in one of the wheels of a wagon which moved over the section. The weld fracture near Najibabad took place during service because of fatigue.

(d): All the defective rails and welds have been attended to promptly. The section was visually and ultrasonically tested and appropriate action taken.