

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:145  
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TRAINING TO TRAIN DRIVERS  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways propose to impart training to drivers of the trains to avoid accidents in future;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Railways have reviewed their safety measure recently; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA )

- (a) Railways already have well defined modules for mandatory training consisting of initial, promotional and refreshers courses for various categories of running staff. Drivers work the trains after successful completion of these courses.
- (b) Initial course for newly appointed Assistant Loco Pilot (ALP), promotional course from ALP/Shunter to Loco Pilot Goods and promotional course from Loco Pilot Goods to Loco Pilot Passenger exist. Further, refreshers courses for all categories of running staff are also conducted periodically. Recently initial course for ALP and promotional courses from shunter/ALP to Loco Pilot Goods have been reviewed.
- (c) Yes, Madam.
- (d) Indian Railways had conducted a mid term review in March 2008 followed by early review in March, 2009 of the progress on the targets set in the Corporate Safety Plan 2003 - 13. This has been followed by a review of all aspects of Safety during June 2009. Consequently a Safety Action Plan which includes Long Term and Short Term measures to improve Safety was made out.