

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2149  
ANSWERED ON:24.07.2014  
DERAILMENT OF GORAKHDHAM EXPRESS  
Venugopal Dr. Ponnusamy

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

- (a) whether Railways are aware of derailment of Gorakhdham Express enroute to Gorakhpur from Delhi;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Railways had ordered any inquiry; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the outcome of the said enquiry?

**Answer**

p MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2149 BY DR. P. VENUGOPAL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 24.07.2014 REGARDING DERAILMENT OF GORAKHDHAM EXPRESS.

(a) to (d): Yes, Madam. On 26.05.2014 at 10.35 hours, while the train No.12556 Hisar - Gorakhpur Gorakhdham Express was passing through Down main line of Chureb station on Gonda-Gorakhpur Broad Gauge double line section of Lucknow Division of North Eastern Railway, its locomotive along with 11 coaches next to the train engine derailed, out of which 7 coaches capsized. After derailment, the locomotive swerved to the left and dashed in the rear of a stationary goods train on an adjacent loop line at Chureb station.

The Commissioner of Railway Safety (CRS), North Eastern Circle under the Ministry of Civil Aviation is conducting a statutory inquiry into this accident. As per the preliminary report, the cause of the accident is fracture of tongue rail and the accident has been classified under the category "Failure of Equipment - Permanent Way".