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Title: Regarding need to provide enough security personnel in trains.

SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY (BAHARAMPUR): Speaker Madam, in spite of high promises made by this Government specially the Railway authorities, the travel in Railway has been a nightmare for common passengers. Last Tuesday, in wee hours in Sealdah Division, a gruesome incident took place where hundreds of passengers were caught in the exchange of fire and bomb between two rival groups. As a result, scores of common passengers have been injured and seven of them are stated to be critical.

The fact is, on one hand, the number of passengers and the number of trains has been increasing but on the other hand, security personnel in commensurate with the increasing number of trains and passengers have not been deployed. As a result, there is severe lack of security in trains which belies the high promises made by this Government. In spite of all their arguments, the Railway authorities have not been providing enough security personnel to trains.

I would urge upon this Government that, at least safety and security should be provided to those common passengers who have been undergoing trying times in traveling.