

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
RAJYA SABHA
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ANSWERED ON
TRAIN ACCIDENTS .

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Will the Minister of COAL RAILWAYS be pleased to state :-

- (a) the total number of train accidents took place during last three years, year-wise;
- (b) the total number of train accidents reported after the formation of this Government in 2009; and
- (c) the number of inquiries held and the findings thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI E. AHAMED)

(a): The number of consequential train accidents which took place during 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09 were 195, 194 and 177, respectively.

(b) & (c): During the period 23rd May, 2009 to 19th November, 2009, 76 consequential train accidents took place. Out of these, 11 were inquired into by the Commission of Railway Safety, an independent organization under the Ministry of Civil Aviation, and the balance 65 were inquired by the Departmental Committees. Based on findings of inquiries into those accidents which have been finalized and prima facie causes of those accidents where inquiries are still under progress, 34 accidents were caused due to failure of railway staff, 5 were caused due to failure of persons other than railway staff, 29 were caused due to negligence of road users at unmanned level crossings, 5 due to sabotage and cause of 3 accidents was incidental.