GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 314 ANSWERED ON 21.07.2023

DEFECTS IN INTERLOCKING SIGNALLING SYSTEM

314 # SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of times defects have been found in the interlocking signalling system of Railways in the last 5 years, zone-wise details thereof;
- (b) the details of the steps taken to repair these defects; and
- (c) whether it is a fact that even after being warned by experts about the loopholes in the interlocking signalling system of the Railways, proper steps were not taken by the Railways which resulted in the Balasore-like train accident?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

- (a) In last 5 years, there have been no incidences due to defects in the interlocking signal system.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) No expert has pointed out any loopholes or deficiencies in interlocking signalling system of Railways.
