GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 767 ANSWERED ON 08.12.2023

TRAIN ACCIDENTS

767 # SHRI SANDEEP KUMAR PATHAK:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) number of freights and passenger trains accidents that occurred in last five years and number of passengers/related persons who died and were injured in these train accidents;
- (b) total number of investigation of incidents which have been completed and which are under process;
- (c) total number of cases alongwith number of staff and officers found guilty therein, number of those who have been suspended, dismissed and sentenced to jail in those cases;
- (d) whether there is any policy to complete these investigation within stipulated time; if so, details thereof, and if not, reasons therefor; and
- (e) details of steps taken in last five years to expedite investigation?

ANSWER

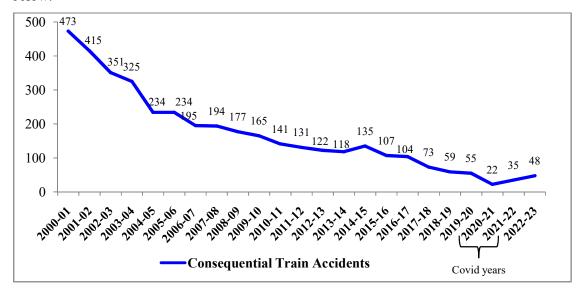
MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 767 BY SHRI SANDEEP KUMAR PATHAK ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 08.12.2023 REGARDING TRAIN ACCIDENTS

(a) to (e): Consequential train accidents have declined over the years, as shown by the graph below:-



The average number of consequential train accidents during the period, 2004-14 was 171 per annum, while the average number of consequential train accidents during the period, 2014-23 has declined to 71 per annum.

During the last five years i.e. 2018-19 to 2022-23, a total number of 219 consequential train accidents occurred, in which 25 passengers lost their lives and 279 were injured.

Investigation has been completed in all these 219 consequential train accidents. Investigations are carried out in stipulated time line. The progress of investigation is monitored closely for expeditious finalization of accident inquiries.
