

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1654
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.07.2017**

RAILWAY SAFETY OPERATIONS

1654. SHRI CHANDU LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government plans to appoint a full-fledged Member (Safety) within the Railway Board in order to provide dedicated focus to the railway safety operations as instructed by the standing committee and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;**
- (b) whether the Government is also considering to review the current structure of Railway Board as well at the Zonal and Divisional levels in this regard and if so, the details therefor;**
- (c) whether the Railways proposes to effect in-house operational changes such as the Safety Directorate which will now be involved in proactive auditing operations; and**
- (d) if so, the details of necessary action taken in this direction?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) & (b): Safety is under the overall charge of Chairman, Railway Board, who coordinates various aspects of Safety between different departments and is assisted by Member (Traffic), Railway Board and Safety Directorate in Railway Board and General Managers & Chief Safety Officers on Zonal Railways.

(c) & (d): Safety Directorate is already involved in auditing of operations from safety points of view.
