

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1668
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.07.2017**

STRENGTHENING OF RPF

1668. SHRIMATI PRATYUSHA RAJESHWARI SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether RPF strength and infrastructure have been increased/ strengthened during the last several years;**
- (b) if so, whether there is any plan to enhance the manpower strength of Government Railway Police, Odisha vis-à-vis RPF in Odisha for the better and qualitative service; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) Yes, Madam. Around 8,015 new posts have been created in Railway Protection Force (RPF) between the years 2008 and 2013.

Strengthening and upgradation of security infrastructure is an ongoing process. Measures initiated to strengthen security infrastructure in recent past includes installation of CCTV cameras under Integrated Security System, operationlisation of three digit Security Helpline Number 182 to provide round the clock security

related assistance to passengers, networking of RPF posts and Security Control Rooms, procurement of additional vehicles for better mobility, establishment of three new Battalions including a Mahila Battalion, etc.

(b)&(c) The issue regarding increasing the strength of GRP personnel in the State of Odisha pertains to the State Government concerned.
