

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 137
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.12.2017**

RAILWAY SAFETY

***137. SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether various corrective actions suggested by safety officers on railway safety-related issues are pending for a long time, posing a threat to railway passengers;**
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken for speedy implementation of the suggestions for railway safety;**
- (c) whether the Government had appointed a High Level Safety Review Committee under the chairmanship of Shri Anil Kakodkar;**
- (d) if so, the recommendations of the committee along with the action taken so far thereon and the present status thereof; and**
- (e) the manner in and the extent to which the safety in the Railways will be enhanced after implementing the recommendations of the said committee?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COAL
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 137 BY SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE AND SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 27.12.2017 REGARDING RAILWAY SAFETY

(a) & (b): No, Madam. Safety is given the topmost priority in Railways. Corrective actions on the suggestions made by Safety officers through inspections are taken on a continuous basis. Time taken in compliance depends on the scale and nature of work involved.

(c): Yes, Madam.

(d): The Committee has given 106 recommendations. Out of 87 fully/partially accepted recommendations, 65 have been implemented. Remaining 22 recommendations are at various stages of implementation. 19 recommendations have not been accepted.

(e): Although safety is an ongoing multi-disciplinary exercise, implementation of the recommendations of the Kakodkar Committee will enhance the safety and asset reliability as the recommendations are about infrastructure like tracks and bridges, upgradation of rolling stock, emphasis on education and training of staff, augmentation of line capacity, prevention of sabotage, induction of latest technology etc. Adequate resources are being mobilized to implement the recommendations.
