

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2565
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.01.2018**

CRIMES IN TRAINS

**2565. SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA:
SHRI C.N. JAYADEVAN:
SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:
SHRI ANTO ANTONY:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is increase in the number of cases of burglary, looting, theft and other crimes against passengers in various long distance trains;**
- (b) if so, the number of such instances reported during the last two years, zone-wise including North Zone;**
- (c) the efforts made by the Railways to check such incidents and ensure passengers fear-free journey in trains;**
- (d) whether the Government has any plan to introduce any scheme to insure passengers' luggage; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)**

(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. 2565 BY SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA, SHRI C.N. JAYADEVAN, SHRI RAJAN VICHARE AND SHRI ANTO ANTONY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 03.01.2018 REGARDING CRIMES IN TRAINS

(a) and (b): No, Madam. Except small increase in the cases of theft of passengers' belongings, incidents of dacoity, robbery and drugging reported in long distance trains over Indian Railways have decreased during the year 2016 as compared to the year 2015. No incident of burglary has been reported in long distance trains during the last two years. The number of cases of burglary, dacoity, robbery, theft of passengers' belongings and drugging reported in long distance trains over Indian Railways during the years 2015 and 2016 is appended.

(c): Policing on Railways being a State subject, prevention of crime, registration of cases, their investigation and maintenance of law & order in Railway premises as well as on running trains are the statutory responsibility of the State Governments, which they discharge through Government Railway Police (GRP)/District Police. However, Railway Protection Force (RPF) supplements the efforts of GRP to provide better protection and security of passenger area & passengers and for matters connected therewith.

Besides, the following steps are also being taken by the Railways to ensure fear-free journey of passengers:-

- 1. On vulnerable and identified routes/sections, 2500 trains (on an average) are escorted by Railway Protection Force daily, in addition to 2200 trains escorted by Government Railway Police of different States daily.**
- 2. Surveillance is kept through CCTV cameras, provided at about 394 stations over Indian Railways, to ensure safety and security of passengers.**

- 3. Security Help Line number 182 is made operational over Indian Railways for security related assistance to passengers in distress.**
- 4. An Integrated Security System (ISS) consisting of surveillance of vulnerable stations through Close Circuit Television Camera Network, Access Control etc. has been sanctioned to improve surveillance mechanism over 202 railway stations.**
- 5. Frequent announcements are made through Public Address System to educate passengers to take precautions against theft, snatching, drugging etc.**
- 6. Regular coordination is made with the State Police/GRP authorities at all levels for prevention of crime, registration of cases, their investigation and maintenance of law & order in Railway premises as well as on running trains.**

(d) and (e): Presently, there is no plan to introduce any scheme to insure passengers luggage.

APPENDIX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2565 BY SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA, SHRI C.N. JAYADEVAN, SHRI RAJAN VICHARE AND SHRI ANTO ANTONY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 03.01.2018 REGARDING CRIMES IN TRAINS

(a) and (b): The number of cases of burglary, dacoity, robbery, theft of passengers' belongings and drugging reported in long distance trains over Indian Railways during the years 2015 and 2016 is as under:-

Zonal Railway	Year	Burglary	Dacoity	Robbery	Theft of Passengers' Belongings	Drugging
Central	2015	0	6	153	1814	37
	2016	0	10	83	2354	40
Eastern	2015	0	1	2	215	42
	2016	0	1	3	196	16
East Central	2015	0	6	6	643	22
	2016	0	2	1	1094	20
East Coast	2015	0	6	6	390	8
	2016	0	1	2	489	2
Northern	2015	0	5	103	2571	38
	2016	0	7	93	2746	19
North Central	2015	0	4	30	746	15
	2016	0	2	42	802	10
North Eastern	2015	0	1	15	354	18
	2016	0	5	39	398	23
Northeast Frontier	2015	0	1	0	122	4
	2016	0	0	1	191	10
North Western	2015	0	0	1	475	15
	2016	0	1	4	419	6
Southern	2015	0	0	8	152	2
	2016	0	0	11	154	10

Zonal Railway	Year	Burglary	Dacoity	Robbery	Theft of Passengers' Belongings	Drugging
South Central	2015	0	0	31	1403	22
	2016	0	0	47	1521	10
South Eastern	2015	0	1	2	236	9
	2016	0	0	1	362	8
South East Central	2015	0	0	8	350	10
	2016	0	0	4	362	7
South Western	2015	0	1	1	116	6
	2016	0	1	8	149	2
Western	2015	0	6	10	1028	20
	2016	0	2	24	937	9
West Central	2015	0	2	83	2169	26
	2016	0	3	50	2760	27
