

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3572  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.08.2018**

**SECURITY OF STATIONS FROM TERRORISTS**

**3572. SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of action plan of the Railways to ensure safety of trains and railway stations from potential terrorist threats;**
- (b) whether the Government is considering to install metal detectors at all the railway stations of the country; and**
- (c) if so, the present status of stations having metal detectors?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a): As per Crisis Management Plan (CMP) of the Ministry of Railways, the Ministry of Home Affairs will step into lead role to deal with any terrorism/security related crisis affecting Railways and Railways will render help and assistance at operational level and will facilitate to deal with such crisis situations.**

**Prevention and detection of crime and maintenance of law and order in Railway station premises as well as in running trains are the statutory responsibility of State Governments, which they discharge through the Government Railway Police (GRP). Railways, through the Railway Protection Force (RPF), are supplementing efforts of respective States to strengthen security across Indian Railways.**

**Security has been identified as one of the priority areas by the Railways for strengthening and upgradation. Physical security measures initiated to tackle potential terror threat at railway stations include access control at important Railway stations, scanning of baggage through baggage scanners, erection of morchas, guarding of platforms, yards and circulating areas, surveillance through Close Circuit Television (CCTV) Cameras at 436 railway stations, etc. Measures initiated to strengthen security in trains include escorting of 2500 trains (on an average daily), in addition to escorting of 2200 trains by GRP, operationalisation and upgradation of Security Help Line number 182, installation of CCTV cameras in trains, etc.**

**For regular monitoring and review of security arrangements for the Railways, State Level Security Committee for Railways (SLSCR) have been constituted for all State/Union Territories (UTs) under the Chairmanship of respective Director General of Police/ Commissioner of States/ Union Territories.**

**(b) and (c): Based on the threat perception and vulnerability, security gadgets like door frame metal detectors and hand held metal detectors have been provided at Railway stations to strengthen security of passengers. Presently, door frame metal detectors have been installed at 345 Railway stations across Indian Railways. In addition, 4780 hand held metal detectors are also available at different Railway stations for checking of passengers. Since strengthening and upgradation of security infrastructure is an ongoing process, based on the threat perception and vulnerability, more stations may be identified for installation of such equipment in due course.**