

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS**  
**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3287**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON JANUARY 01, 2019**

**SUICIDE ON METRO TRACKS**

**No. 3287 SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI:**

**Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether incidents of suicide on metro tracks are on the rise;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government has taken or proposes to take any concrete steps to check/prevent such incidents;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE**  
**MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS**  
**(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)**

**(a & b): Cases of death due to persons falling on metro tracks have been reported only in metro rail networks of Delhi. Delhi Metro Rail Corporation Limited (DMRC) has informed that 15, 10, 19 and 12 deaths have been reported due to persons falling on metro tracks during the years 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 (upto 27.12.2018) respectively.**

**(c & d): The steps taken by metro rail administrations to prevent such incidents are as below:**

- I. Train operators have been asked to be extra vigilant while approaching the platform and apply emergency brakes to stop the train whenever suicide attempt is noticed.**
  - II. The Security Controller/CISF and Station Controllers have been asked to keep extra vigil on CCTV to identify restless or gloomy persons who may commit suicide.**
  - III. Height of railings at platforms of elevated stations has been increased.**
  - IV. Platform Screen Doors have been installed in some of the metro stations.**
  - V. Security personnel have been deployed at platforms to prevent such incidents.**
  - VI. Passengers are advised to keep away from yellow line on platform through regular announcements and random checks by staff.**
  - VII. Signages have been placed at the metro stations advising the passengers to keep off the track intimating them that negligence may cause life changing injury.**
  - VIII. Track access gates are provided at each end of the platform, so as to restrict entrance of any passenger from platform to track/mid section area/walk away.**
  - IX. Emergency Stop Plunger (ESP) is provided on each platform, which can be used by any one on the platform to stop approaching train through application of emergency brakes.**
- (e) Does not arise.**