

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3621  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.01.2019**

**THEFT OF RAILWAY PROPERTY**

**3621. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:  
SHRI RAKESH SINGH:**

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

- (a) the total worth of railway property stolen in the last four financial years with the break-up of the items stolen, Railway Zone-Wise;**
- (b) the number of people caught or prosecuted for stealing railway property in the last four years;**
- (c) whether the Government has identified the fact that theft of railway property poses a great challenge to railway authorities in providing better facilities; and**
- (d) if so, the steps taken/ proposed by the Government to prevent thefts from happening?**

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

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3621 BY SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY AND SHRI RAKESH SINGH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 02.01.2019 REGARDING THEFT OF RAILWAY PROPERTY**

**(a) & (b): The details of total worth of railway property stolen with break-up of the items stolen and the number of people prosecuted zone-wise during the financial years 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 over Indian Railways are appended.**

**(c) & (d): No, Madam. However, the following steps are being taken by the Railways to prevent theft of Railway property:-**

- i. All major railway stations, depots, yards and other vital installations are manned by Railway Protection Force round the clock.**
- ii. Escorting of affected passengers & goods trains in vulnerable sections.**
- iii. Railway yards are provided with Tower lights, tracks for patrolling etc.**
- iv. Frequent drives are conducted against undesirable elements in trains and railway premises to prevent such thefts.**
- v. Surveillance is being kept through CCTV cameras, provided at about 453 stations over Indian Railways. .**
- vi. Railways has planned to provide CCTV system in all running passenger trains.**
- vii. Adequate security measures are taken at identified black spots from time to time.**
- viii. All cases of theft of Railway property are promptly registered, investigated and arrested criminal are prosecuted as per law.**
- ix. Railway material stacks at isolated locations are shifted to safer places.**
- x. Crime Intelligence Branch (CIB) of RPF keeps regular watch and collects intelligence from time to time about criminals indulged in theft of Railway property.**
- xi. Regular co-ordination meetings are conducted with GRP/Civil Police for collection and sharing of criminal intelligence.**

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**APPENDIX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3621 BY SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY AND SHRI RAKESH SINGH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 02.01.2019 REGARDING THEFT OF RAILWAY PROPERTY**

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| Railway      | Period  | Head-wise break-up of Railway property stolen (In ₹) |                      |                     |                   |                                      |         | Total value of stolen Railway Property (In ₹) | No. of persons prosecuted |
|--------------|---------|--|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|---------|---|---------------------------|
|              |         | Booked Consignment                                   | Engineering Material | Mechanical Material | Electric Material | Signal & Telecomm-unication Material | Others  |   |                           |
| Central      | 2014-15 | 1042485  | 457639               | 70377               | 287714            | 868083                               | 573916  | 3300214                                       | 403                       |
|              | 2015-16 | 565000   | 167910               | 69033               | 287003            | 130040                               | 234160  | 1453146                                       | 286                       |
|              | 2016-17 | 572983   | 132872               | 56221               | 176024            | 126700                               | 2047999 | 3112799                                       | 265                       |
|              | 2017-18 | 564073   | 410397               | 67600               | 246562            | 327628                               | 1855477 | 3471737                                       | 248                       |
| Eastern      | 2014-15 | 1790850  | 39137                | 31098               | 173753            | 86937                                | 599566  | 2721341                                       | 140                       |
|              | 2015-16 | 222375   | 120575               | 59937               | 98621             | 192103                               | 901631  | 1595242                                       | 184                       |
|              | 2016-17 | 92711  | 47680                | 1041                | 249311            | 95275                                | 152028  | 638046  | 126                       |
|              | 2017-18 | 607395   | 170317               | 25174571            | 204154            | 65604                                | 64943   | 26286984                                      | 116                       |
| East Central | 2014-15 | 1824200  | 1099808              | 2055976             | 430311            | 135592                               | 119220  | 5665107                                       | 531                       |
|              | 2015-16 | 954199   | 302030               | 1379110             | 462572            | 146615                               | 873995  | 4118521                                       | 441                       |
|              | 2016-17 | 1497818  | 318127               | 1266897             | 583119            | 324774                               | 101061  | 4091796                                       | 453                       |
|              | 2017-18 | 3244591  | 274530               | 1138004             | 305286            | 125944                               | 158187  | 5246542                                       | 382                       |

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|                    |         | Booked Consignment                                   | Engineering Material | Mechanical Material | Electric Material | Signal & Telecomm-unication Material | Others  |   |                           |
| East Coast         | 2014-15 | 155988   | 101362               | 0                   | 32129             | 151313                               | 231371  | 672163  | 216                       |
|                    | 2015-16 | 412844   | 48913                | 0                   | 16000             | 96326                                | 826581  | 1400664                                       | 144                       |
|                    | 2016-17 | 719755   | 51020                | 8361                | 15000             | 78489                                | 4976134 | 5848759                                       | 131                       |
|                    | 2017-18 | 191782   | 53189                | 39316               | 76600             | 30346                                | 150581  | 541814  | 127                       |
| Northern           | 2014-15 | 2384058  | 108175               | 762327              | 1022047           | 502705                               | 4673410 | 9452722                                       | 1357                      |
|                    | 2015-16 | 2078543  | 3367066              | 989453              | 2035341           | 332780                               | 707180  | 9510363                                       | 1158                      |
|                    | 2016-17 | 3009469  | 709630               | 957966              | 1071490           | 296395                               | 1134812 | 7179762                                       | 1057                      |
|                    | 2017-18 | 5085994  | 2010553              | 962861              | 1786340           | 224142                               | 1155000 | 11224890                                      | 890                       |
| North Central      | 2014-15 | 209080   | 375080               | 156617              | 187561            | 280340                               | 119605  | 1328283                                       | 360                       |
|                    | 2015-16 | 582104   | 193846               | 348548              | 72688             | 266140                               | 949158  | 2412484                                       | 243                       |
|                    | 2016-17 | 676950   | 187565               | 427097              | 125820            | 168100                               | 745540  | 2331072                                       | 299                       |
|                    | 2017-18 | 1324891  | 604575               | 292487              | 56800             | 165210                               | 192650  | 2636613                                       | 224                       |
| North Eastern      | 2014-15 | 97200  | 645363               | 45846               | 548902            | 132076                               | 44624   | 1514011                                       | 271                       |
|                    | 2015-16 | 133160   | 539502               | 49314               | 519768            | 263976                               | 1547318 | 3053038                                       | 261                       |
|                    | 2016-17 | 821700   | 225712               | 14920               | 217443            | 146126                               | 752190  | 2178091                                       | 183                       |
|                    | 2017-18 | 355400   | 470943               | 125897              | 211923            | 90057                                | 39540   | 1293760                                       | 214                       |
| Northeast Frontier | 2014-15 | 221975   | 387632               | 27935               | 92200             | 237649                               | 38610   | 1006001                                       | 173                       |
|                    | 2015-16 | 262950   | 3090207              | 40075               | 3807168           | 256648                               | 71300   | 7528348                                       | 257                       |
|                    | 2016-17 | 481338   | 1534855              | 18967               | 86420             | 74179                                | 443380  | 2639139                                       | 203                       |
|                    | 2017-18 | 1062482  | 102040               | 130322              | 217558            | 419057                               | 802173  | 2733632                                       | 161                       |

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| North Western      | 2014-15 | 46400  | 157747               | 44480               | 113496              | 133750                              | 70255    | 566128  | 158                       |
|                    | 2015-16 | 201326   | 89075                | 27380               | 242300              | 25400                               | 20720    | 606201  | 111                       |
|                    | 2016-17 | 181250   | 79975                | 113658              | 542364              | 1165384                             | 570842   | 2653473                                       | 196                       |
|                    | 2017-18 | 283494   | 397375               | 28520               | 209442              | 410180                              | 159907   | 1488918                                       | 167                       |
| Southern           | 2014-15 | 786905   | 715201               | 80752               | 269861              | 405410                              | 641530   | 2899659                                       | 454                       |
|                    | 2015-16 | 206250   | 541685               | 79376               | 187923              | 161741                              | 1220025  | 2397000                                       | 398                       |
|                    | 2016-17 | 1076455  | 227867               | 34201               | 280012              | 166583                              | 2852422  | 4637540                                       | 314                       |
|                    | 2017-18 | 867038   | 513847               | 35148               | 131058              | 254125                              | 10618029 | 12419245                                      | 379                       |
| South Central      | 2014-15 | 432135   | 1479366              | 74754               | 499258              | 296950                              | 232490   | 3014953                                       | 631                       |
|                    | 2015-16 | 238302   | 499348               | 1992943             | 221038              | 169044                              | 272367   | 3393042                                       | 644                       |
|                    | 2016-17 | 357980   | 701960               | 218536              | 252148              | 207895                              | 50870    | 1789389                                       | 849                       |
|                    | 2017-18 | 43065  | 1016914              | 40877               | 89375               | 372041                              | 88850    | 1651122                                       | 907                       |
| South Eastern      | 2014-15 | 3341267  | 103796               | 258600              | 121306              | 261021                              | 1076435  | 5162425                                       | 180                       |
|                    | 2015-16 | 78013  | 45890                | 74788               | 26000               | 100274                              | 133916   | 458881  | 101                       |
|                    | 2016-17 | 1715691  | 9980                 | 22997               | 93461               | 51378                               | 104190   | 1997697                                       | 90                        |
|                    | 2017-18 | 1686820  | 16800                | 88200               | 53702               | 25000                               | 87701    | 1958223                                       | 80                        |
| South East Central | 2014-15 | 2486530  | 182670               | 0                   | 7369                | 85702                               | 244590   | 3006861                                       | 141                       |
|                    | 2015-16 | 18000  | 33500                | 1000                | 38999               | 181793                              | 605212   | 878504  | 64                        |
|                    | 2016-17 | 384735   | 983673               | 42610               | 17416               | 105463                              | 380406   | 1914303                                       | 60                        |
|                    | 2017-18 | 2100   | 5075                 | 19475               | 19200               | 48448                               | 18057    | 112355  | 27                        |

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| South Western | 2014-15 | 692181   | 458916               | 276454              | 362177              | 82110                                | 1335799 | 3207637                                       | 159                       |
|               | 2015-16 | 47100  | 912005               | 11800               | 111675              | 64125                                | 42150   | 1188855                                       | 126                       |
|               | 2016-17 | 31862  | 106801               | 47667               | 53000               | 78100                                | 1082042 | 1399472                                       | 126                       |
|               | 2017-18 | 132480   | 246743               | 84410               | 166203              | 87350                                | 6577720 | 7294906                                       | 134                       |
| Western       | 2014-15 | 180120   | 287633               | 106421              | 55975               | 185503                               | 438363  | 1254015                                       | 427                       |
|               | 2015-16 | 274028   | 457430               | 71229               | 270384              | 143931                               | 161001  | 1378003                                       | 405                       |
|               | 2016-17 | 709650   | 143512               | 129080              | 542596              | 175805                               | 58932   | 1759575                                       | 290                       |
|               | 2017-18 | 453178   | 292634               | 111236              | 477837              | 60328                                | 193325  | 1588538                                       | 424                       |
| West Central  | 2014-15 | 505090   | 163149               | 50400               | 105115              | 66245                                | 210795  | 1100794                                       | 612                       |
|               | 2015-16 | 409865   | 235667               | 63900               | 179262              | 63890                                | 634925  | 1587509                                       | 703                       |
|               | 2016-17 | 139400   | 299960               | 88775               | 71905               | 70895                                | 254815  | 925750  | 687                       |
|               | 2017-18 | 81125  | 2777513              | 142886              | 150620              | 79990                                | 155624  | 3387758                                       | 634                       |

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