

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3806
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.12.2019**

HERITAGE WEEK

3806. DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether with passenger safety being a huge concern over 30 per cent of corrective action on safety-related issues suggested in eight months have remained unaddressed;**
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;**
- (c) whether various suggested corrective actions by safety officers are pending for long posing a threat to passengers;**
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken for speedy implementation of the suggestions for railway safety;**
- (e) whether the Government had appointed a High Level Safety Review Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri Anil Kakodkar;**
- (f) if so, the recommendations of the committee;**
- (g) whether in a major move towards safety upgradation of Indian Railways the Government has decided to implement the Anil Kakodkar Committee report on safety; and**
- (h) if so, the manner and extent to which the safety in the Railways will be enhanced after implementing the recommendations?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

- (a) No, Sir. Safety is accorded highest priority by Indian Railways.**

A detailed inspection regime is followed by Railways wherein officers carry out Safety inspections regularly. Shortcomings noticed during inspection are complied in shortest possible time. This is a continuous process and timely implementation of corrective actions suggested by officers is monitored at regular intervals.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

(e) Yes, Sir.

(f) Committee had submitted 106 recommendations in its report.

(g) Yes, Sir. All the 106 recommendations of the committee have since been deliberated upon and 95 recommendations have been fully/partially accepted by the Ministry of Railways. Of the accepted/partially accepted recommendations, 84 have been fully implemented and 11 recommendations are at various stages of implementation.

(h) Although improvement in 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.
