

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1910
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.03.2016**

LOSSES DUE TO FLOOD

1910. SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G.:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether various sections of railway network in the country particularly in Tamil Nadu have suffered severe damages due to heavy rain and floods in the recent north-east monsoon in Tamil Nadu;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof, division/section-wise including cancellation of trains and the estimated loss to Railways as a result thereof;**
- (c) whether any steps were taken by the Railways to repair the affected portions of tracks, premises, compensation to the passengers, etc.;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and;**
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(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. 1910 BY SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G. TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 09.03.2016 REGARDING LOSSES DUE TO FLOODS

(a) to (e) : Yes, Madam. Due to heavy rain and floods in the recent north-east monsoon in Tamil Nadu, several railway lines of the railway network were affected. Mainly the following sections were affected:

<u>Division</u>	<u>Section</u>
Chennai	Chennai Central – Arakkonam
	Chennai Central – Gudur
	Chennai Beach - Villupuram
	Chengalpattu - Arakkonam
Thiruchirapalli	Cuddalore Port Junction – Vriddhachalam Junction
Guntakal	Gudur – Renigunta
	Gooty – Renigunta
Vijayawada	Gudur – Vijayawada

A total of 632 Mail/Express trains were cancelled and 51 Mail/Express trains were partially cancelled over Indian Railways due to heavy rains and floods in Tamil Nadu. The situation was continuously monitored by the senior officers of concerned zonal railways. Restoration works at the rain/flood affected locations were taken up and completed by the railways on war-footing basis at an approximate cost of ₹ 20 crores. Due to cancellation of reserved tickets on account of cancellation of trains, an amount of about ₹ 50.36 crores was refunded to passengers.
