

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 32
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.02.2016**

EQUIPPING GANG-MEN WITH MODERN GADGETS

32. SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the division-wise number of gang-men totally employed by the Railways;

(b) whether incidence of railway gang-men getting run over by the trains is increasing from year to year and if so, the details thereof, zone-wise and state/UT-wise during the last three years;

(c) whether there is any proposal pending to re-designate the gang-men as railway-track-maintainers and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether there is any other proposal to equip the gang-men with a walkie-talkie like instrument called Rakshas to warn them about the oncoming trains so that they stand clear of the railway tracks?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)**

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 32 BY SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 24.02.2016 REGARDING EQUIPPING GANG-MEN WITH MODERN GADGETS.

(a) The Division wise details of Gang-men (Re-designated as Track Maintainer) employed by Railways is as under:

Track Maintainers (Gang-men) on Indian Railways

SL	Zone/Railway	Division	No. of Track Maintainers
1	Central	Mumbai	2754
2		Nagpur	3333
3		Bhusawal	3253
4		Pune	1098
5		Sholapur	1614
6	Eastern	Howrah	4382
7		Sealdah	3957
8		Asansol	3035
9		MLDT	2039
10	East Central	Dhanbad	4141
11		Danapur	3405
12		Mughalsarai	3141
13		Sonpur	2934
14		Samastipur	2812
15	East Coast	Khurda Road	3238
16		Sambalpur	2125
17		Waltair	3758
18	Northern	Moradabad	4183
19		Delhi	5845
20		Ambala	3804
21		Firozpur	5063
22		Lucknow	5156

23	North Central	Allahabad	4856
24		Jhansi	3097
25		Agra	2984
26	North Eastern	Izzatnagar	3023
27		Lucknow	3226
28		Varanasi	3517
29	Northeast Frontier	Katihar	3792
30		Alipurduar	2457
31		Rangiya	2561
32		Lumding	4284
33		Tinsukia	1948
34	North Western	Ajmer	2085
35		Bikaner	3268
36		Jaipur	2691
37		Jodhpur	1997
38	Southern	Chennai	3064
39		Salem	1962
40		Palakkad	1784
41		Thiruvananthpuram	2231
42		Triuchirappalli	1993
43		Madurai	2714
44	South Central	Secunderabad	5129
45		Hyderabad	1468
46		Vijayawada	4073
47		Guntakal	3488
48		GNT	1340
49		Nanded	1903
50	South Eastern	Adra	3475
51		Chakradharpur	4469
52		Kharagpur	3502
53		Ranchi	1648

54	Southeast Central	Bilaspur	3928
55		Raipur	1703
56		Nagpur	3545
57	South Western	Hubli	2978
58		Bangalore	2280
59		Mysore	2134
60	Western	Mumbai	4228
61		Vadodara	3067
62		Ratlam	3848
63		Ahemdabad	3076
64		Rajkot	1663
65		Bhavnagar	1981
66	West Central	Jabalpur	4456
67		Bhopal	3664
68		Kota	3480
69	Metro	Metro	54
Total			211184

(b) The number of Gang-men (Re-designated as Track Maintainer) getting run over by the trains have shown a declining trend from 212 in 2012-13 to 127 in 2014-15. State/UT-wise details are, however not maintained by Railways. Zone-wise details of last 03 years are as under:

Zone-wise No. of Gangmen (Track Maintainers) Runover During

2012 -13 to 2014-15:

SN	Zone/Railway	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
1	Central	22	28	13
2	Eastern	10	11	8
3	East Central	11	13	8
4	East Coast	14	4	10
5	Northern	19	26	16
6	North Central	38	25	18
7	North Eastern	8	7	4
8	Northeast Frontier	14	14	9
9	North Western	7	14	6
10	Southern	9	5	2
11	South Central	10	12	9
12	South Eastern	9	8	3
13	Southeast Central	Nil	4	3
14	South Western	7	2	Nil
15	Western	23	13	9
16	West Central	11	10	9
	Total	212	196	127

(c) The Gangmen on Indian Railways have already been re-designated as Track Maintainers with effect from 17.08.2012.

(d) The specification for “VHF (Very High Frequency) based Approaching Train Warning System for Track Maintainers” has been developed and pilot project for trial on 2 Zonal Railways has also been taken up.
