

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 502
TO BE ANSWERED ON APRIL 27, 2016
SUICIDES ON METRO TRACKS

No. 502

SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether suicide cases on the metro tracks are constantly increasing;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken or proposes to take any concrete steps in order to prevent such incidents;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT)
[SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU]

(a)&(b): The cases of persons found fallen on the metro track have been reported only in Delhi Metro Rail Network. Delhi Metro Rail Corporation Ltd. (DMRC) has informed that they have found 31, 34 and 40 cases of persons falling on the metro track during the years 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 respectively.

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(c) to (e): Metro Rail Corporations have taken following steps to prevent such incidents over Metro Rail network:

- (i) Platform Screen Doors (PSDs) are operational at 6 stations of Airport Metro Line of Delhi Metro;
- (ii) PSDs planned for heavily crowded stations and metro lines;
- (iii) Large numbers of CCTV cameras have been installed;
- (iv) CISF/Security staffs and Station Controllers of each station are instructed to keep vigil on CCTV and alert the passengers;
- (v) Train operators are instructed to be alert while approaching the platforms and apply emergency brakes to stop the train whenever such attempt is noticed;
- (vi) Passengers are advised to keep away from yellow line on platform through regular announcements and random checks;
- (vii) Emergency Stop Plunger is provided on each platform to stop the approaching train in case of emergency;
- (viii) Hot Line Communication between passengers on platform with Station Control Room is made available at each platform;
and
- (ix) Track access gates in locked condition are provided at each end of the platform, to restrict entrance of any passenger from platform to track.
