

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4012
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2016**

FIRE ACCIDENTS

†4012. SHRI NANA PATOLE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of incidents of fire accidents in Matunga carriage and wagon workshop, Mumbai during the last three years and the current year along with the reasons therefor;**
- (b) the number of people injured and/or dead in such incidents;**
- (c) the value of the railway property lost in these incidents; and**
- (d) the steps taken to prevent incidents of fire accidents in the said workshop?**

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.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4012 BY SHRI NANA PATOLE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 10.08.2016 REGARDING FIRE ACCIDENTS

(a) to (c) The year wise number of fire accidents in Matunga Carriage Workshop, Mumbai, during the last three years and current year upto July, 2016, reasons therefor and the value of railway property lost in these incidents are as under:

S.No.	Year	No. of incidents of fire accidents at Matunga Workshop	Value of Railway Property lost in the incident	Reason for fire
1.	2013-14	Nil	Nil	Nil
2.	2014-15	1) Fire in coach No. 04055 on 17-06-2014	₹ 10,090/-	Due to spatters during welding/cutting work.
		2) Fire in coach No. 04327 on 30-12-2014	₹ 15,432/-	Due to spatters during welding/cutting work.
3.	2015-16	1) Fire in Condemned Coach No. 89806 on 05-05-2015	Nil	Due to miscreant activity, i.e. lighting of cigarette/ bidi inside/near the coach.
		2) Fire in store between Carriage Furnishing Shop 6 and Carriage Furnishing Shop 8 on 14-01-2016	Carriage Furnishing Shop 6- ₹ 4,29,350/- Carriage Furnishing Shop 8- ₹ 5,25,249/-	Due to miscreant activity, i.e. lighting of cigarette/ bidi inside/near the coach.
		3) Fire in Industrial Waste Bin at Line No. 5 between Trolley ML and Paint on 11-03-2016	Nil	Due to miscreant activity, i.e. lighting of cigarette/ bidi inside/near the coach.
4.	2016-17	Nil	Nil	Nil

No person was injured and/or died in any of these incidents.

(d) The following steps have been taken to prevent incidents of fire accidents:

- 1. Different kinds of fire extinguishers, as per requirement, have been provided at the workshop.**
- 2. A Housekeeping Section has been set up in the workshop. Waste products are being collected and disposed off at regular intervals.**
- 3. Boards displaying names of staff trained in Fire Fighting and First-Aid as well as emergency contact numbers have been displayed in different locations of the workshop.**
- 4. The newly inducted employees are being imparted training for fire fighting and First Aid at the Basic Training Centre, Matunga.**
- 5. A basic six day civil defence course is being conducted at Matunga Workshop every year, which includes training for dealing with exigencies at workplace, including fire accidents.**
- 6. The workshop is certified under OHSAS 18001 for occupational health and safety of its personnel.**
- 7. Personnel protection equipment, as prescribed, is provided to the staff to prevent injury.**
