GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.663 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.07.2016

WATER LOGGING DUE TO RAIN

663. DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has received complaints about the delay in Mumbai local train services during June, 2016 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that trains are delayed due to water logging; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by the Railways to tackle the problem?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) Yes, Madam. On Central Railway system, there have been 3 major cases of disruption in rail services on 11.06.2016 in the month of June 2016 due to Overhead Equipment (Electric) tripping on all the 4 lines on the Main Line and UP & DOWN Harbour line. On Western Railway system, 3 complaints were received regarding delay in local train services due to reasons which inter-alia includes derailment in suburban section at Lower Parel station and incident of trespassings in suburban sections.

(b) & (c) Yes, Madam. The following steps have been taken by the Railways to tackle water logging problem during monsoon in Mumbai sub urban area:

(i) Railway culverts have been cleaned and desilted in coordination with Mumbai Corporation of Greater Mumbai.

(ii) Side drain within railway area have been cleaned and repaired before monsoon.

(iii) Water pumps have been installed at locations prone to flooding to clear the flood water during heavy rains.

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