

of the track within railway land. Elephant Corridors have been identified by the forest department, where, speed restrictions have been imposed and signage boards provided, to pre-warn the train drivers. As per advice of Forest Department, Railway is also attempting to find a more lasting solution in the matter through proposal for deposit works consisting of measures such as ramps and underpasses etc. Railway is also holding regular meetings with the Forest Department of State Government of West Bengal to take remedial measures for controlling elephant casualties.

#### **Damage due to landslide**

†2010. SHRI SAMAN PATHAK : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Railways are aware that there has been extensive damage in Tindharia due to landslide on 29 August, 2011, including damage to railway colony therein;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Tindharia Railway factory is also unsafe because of such landslides; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by Railways for the safety of said railway factory and railway colony?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI) :

(a) and (b) Railways are not aware of any landslide in Tindharia on 29 August, 2011. However, in the region, there has been an earthquake on 18th September, 2011 and landslide on 29th September, 2011. These incidents caused damage to the Railway tracks and road between Rangtong and Tindharia, to the floor/walls of Tindharia Railway factory, and damage to quarters, community hall etc. in Tindharia Railway colony.

(c) and (d) There has been some damage in Tindharia Railway factory. However, the extent of damage is not such as to render it unsafe. Urgently required repairs to the factory and colony have been carried out.

#### **Engaging retired personnel**

2011. DR. PRABHAKAR KORE : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.