

The following measures are being taken by the Railways to ensure security of the passenger:—

1. 1275 trains are escorted by RPF daily on an average, in addition to 2200 trains escorted by Government Railway Police of different States.
2. Regular drives against drunk passengers creating nuisance in trains are conducted and offenders are prosecuted under the Railway Act.
3. Sensitization through awareness campaigns amongst the front line Railway Staff like ticket checking staff, RPF and on-board employees who have constant interface with the travelling public towards crime against passengers is being done.
4. Security Help-Line numbers have been set up in the Zonal Control Rooms over some zonal railways to facilitate the passengers to inform about any untoward incidents. The numbers of such security help-lines have been displayed at conspicuous places of important Railway stations and in the coaches of trains.
5. Regular coordination meetings are held with State Police at all level to ensure proper registration and investigation of crime by Government Railway Police.

(d) and (e) During the years 2011, 2012 and 2013, 08, 01 and 07 persons respectively have been arrested in the above said incidents.

#### **Bogibeel bridge project**

3086. SHRI PANKAJ BORA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for inordinate delay in progress as well as completion of Bogibeel bridge project and steps taken towards commissioning the bridge; and

(b) the details of present status of the National Projects in North Eastern region indicating project-wise details of total outlay, amount sanctioned, progress and achievement made, including target set for completion since inception?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.J. SURYA PRAKASH REDDY): (a) and (b) The details and present status of National Projects in North Eastern Region including Bogibeel Bridge Project are as under:—

(Rs. in crore)								
Sl. No.	Name of the project	Cost	Expenditure upto March, 2013	Outlay 13-14	% progress	TDC planned	TDC with present funding level	Status
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1.	Bogibeel Bridge with linking lines (73 km.) New Line	4500	2700.64	340.00	60%	December, 2015	December, 2017	Linking line from Chalkhowa to Moranhat (44 km.) completed and commissioned. Main bridge sub-structure nearing completion and contract for super-structure finalized. Planned for completion by December, 2015 subject to availability of adequate funds. The project has been delayed due to insufficient allotment of funds.
2.	Jiribam-Imphal (Tupul) (97.90 km.) New Line	4478.17	1319.91	453.90	29%	Jiribam-Tupul: March'15 Tupul-Imphal: March'17	March, 2020 March, 2022	Earthwork, bridges and tunnels in Jiribam-Tupul section taken up. Estimate for Tupul-Imphal sanctioned.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
3.	Tetelia-Byrnihat in lieu of Azra- Byrnihat (21.50 km.) New Line	385.2	131.11	50.00	34%	March, 2016	March, 2017	Contract for earthwork, bridges and tunnels awarded. Planned for completion by March, 2016 subject to adequate availability of funds.
4.	Dimapur-Kohima (88 km.) New Line	850	8.9	1.00	1%	Not fixed	Not fixed	Project held up due to delay in alignment approval and abnormal increase in cost of land. Land cost now reduced and Final Location Survey conducted as per alignment suggested by State Government.
5.	Agartala-Sabroom (110 km.) New Line	1141.75	455.8	140.00	40%	December, 2015	March, 2019	Earthwork and bridges taken up in entire section. Targeted for completion by December, 2015 subject to adequate fund availability.
6.	Bhairabi-Sairang (51.38 km.) New Line	2393.48	44.39	77.10	2%	Not fixed	Not fixed	Land acquisition, forestry clearance taken up. The Tender for earthwork and tunneling invited.
7.	Sivok-Rangpo (44.39 km.) New Line	3380.58	58.63	25.00	2%	Not fixed	Not fixed	Project held up for want of forestry clearance. Matter taken up with Ministry of Environment and

								Forest and Government of West Bengal.
8.	Byrnihat-Shillong (108.40 km.) New Line	4083.02	2.46	1.00	0	Not fixed	Not fixed	Project held up due to protest of Khasi Student's Union for their demands with State Government. State Government requested to expeditiously resolve the issue.
9.	Rangiya- Murkongselek with linked figures (510.33 km) Gauge Conversion	2232.5	1718.29	425.00	77%	March, 2014	March, 2015	Rangiya-Rangapara North: Completed and commissioned. Rangpara North-North Lakhimpur: Completed and engine rolled. North Lakhimpur-Murkongselek: Work in advance stages and planned for completion in 2013-14.
10.	Lumding-Silchar including branch lines and MMs (482.73 km.) Gauge Conversion	4255.37	3433.8	375.00	81%	March, 2015	December, 2016	Earthwork, bridges and tunnels in advance stage all along the alignment. Section planned for completion by March, 2015 subject to adequate availability of funds.