Besides, the following measures are being taken by the Railways for security of the passengers:

- (1) 3475 important trains are escorted by Railway Protection Force and Government Railway Police in vulnerable and identified sections over Indian Railways daily on an average.
- (2) Security Help-line numbers have been set up in Zonal Railways' Control Rooms to enable passengers to Seek security related assistance on real time basis.
- (3) An integrated Security System, including electronic surveillance through CCTV to enhance security over 202 sensitive and vulnerable Railway stations, is under implementation.
- (4) Regular coordination meetings are held with State Police authorities at all levels to ensure proper registration and investigation of crime by State Police and Government Railway Police.

## Development of Sabarmati railway station

2589. SHRI DILIPBHAI PANDYA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government of Gujarat has requested the Central Government for development of Sabarmati railway station to reduce the vehicular traffic near Ahmedabad railway station, situated in Kalupur area, and thereby reducing overcrowding and pollution at the station;
  - (b) whether Central Government has found merit in the request; and
  - (c) the time-frame envisaged for full development of Sabarmati railway station?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) Indian Railways have sanctioned development of Second Coaching Terminal at Sabarmati in the Annual Budget 2013-14 at a cost of ₹ 29.60 crores.
- (c) No time frame can be given for sanction of the project, as it depends on availability of funds.

## Doubling of Madurai-Tirunelveli-Kanyakumari railway route

2590. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has declared after undertaking survey of doubling of Madurai-Tirunelveli-Kanyakumari railway route, as 'found not viable';
  - (b) if so, the details of the survey undertaken by the Railways in this regard; and

(c) the details of parameters/criteria/conditions on which Government arrived at this conclusion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA): (a) to (c) Survey for doubling of Madurai-Kanyakumari (245 Km) section has been completed. As per survey report, the cost of the project has been assessed as ₹ 1926 crore with a Rate of Return of 8%, which is well below the threshold limit of remunerativeness *i.e.* 14%.

## Status of new trains announced for introduction

- 2591. SHRI MOHAMMED ADEEB: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of new trains announced to be introduced on Mathura-Kasganj-Kanpur section and Mathura-Kasganj-Bareilly section during the last five years;
- (b) the details of new trains actually introduced along with their date of introduction, year-wise;
- (c) whether a number of trains are yet to be introduced in spite of sacrosanct announcements made by Railway Ministers from time to time in Parliament; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken to start the remaining trains at the earliest to ensure that the assurances/announcements made by the Ministers are fulfilled at the earliest?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA): (a) and (b) The year-wise detail of the announcements made in the last five Railway Budgets relating to introduction of trains on Mathura-Kasganj-Kanpur Section and Mathura-Kasganj-Bareilly section are as under:-

Year	Trains announced	Announced for introduction (via section)	Status of introduction
1	2	3	4
2009-10	Nil	Section 1	
2010-11	Nil	1	
2011-12	19709/19710 Kamakhya- Jaipur Express (weekly)	Mathura-Kas- ganj-Kanpur Central	Introduced w.e.f. 14.11.2011.
	12319/12320 Kolkata-Agra Express (weekly)	Mathura-Kas- ganj-Kanpur Central	Introduced w.e.f. 07.07.2011.
2012-13	19409/19410 Ahmeda- bad-Gorakhpur Express (weekly)	Mathura-Kas- ganj-Kanpur Central	Introduced w.e.f. 31.08.2012.