

New pilgrim areas extended are Bijapur, Solapur, Badami, Melmaruvathur, Vaitheeswarankoil, Thiruvenkadu, Keelamerumpallam, Thirunallar, Alangudi, Surianarkoil, Kanjanur, Thirunageswaram, Thingalur, Parasnath, St. Francis Xavier (Old Goa), Mecca Masjid (Hyderabad), Nanded Saheb, Nanak Jhira Gurudwara, Sri Patna Sahib, Kanchipuram etc.

IRCTC has operated four Religious Circuit Trains from Oct, 2014 and more itineraries are uploaded on Tourism portal ([www.irtcttourism.com](http://www.irtcttourism.com)) for booking of the passengers.

### **Railway accidents**

743. SHRI AVINASH PANDE : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :-

(a) the number of persons injured or killed in Railways related accidents since 2004;

(b) the year-wise and State-wise breakup thereof; and

(c) the measures being taken by Government to reduce accidental deaths during train journeys?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA) : (a) and (b) Statistics of consequential train accidents on Indian Railways are maintained zone-wise and not state-wise. Zone-wise and year-wise number of persons who lost their lives and suffered injuries in consequential train accidents, excluding incidents of trespassing at unmanned level crossings caused due to negligence of road vehicle users, from 2004-05 to 2013-14 and the current year (upto 15th November, 2014), is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) Safety is accorded the highest priority by Indian Railways and all possible steps are undertaken on a continual basis to prevent accidents and to enhance safety. These include timely replacement of over-aged assets, adoption of suitable technologies for upgradation and maintenance of track, rolling stock, signalling and interlocking systems, safety drives, greater emphasis on training of officials and inspections at regular intervals to monitor and educate staff for observance of safe practices. Safety devices/systems being progressively installed to prevent accidents include provision of Block Proving Axle Counters (BPAC), Auxiliary Warning System (AWS), LED Signals, Vigilance Control Device (VCD). Certain Safety devices/systems are under development stage and these include Train Collision Avoidance System (TCAS), Train Protection and Warning System (TPWS), *etc.*

**Statement**

*Statement and year-wise number of persons died and injured in consequential train accidents.*

Years	Rlys	CR	ER	ECR	NR	NER	NFR	NWR	SR	SCR	SER	WR	KRC	ECOR	SWR	WCR	NCR	SECR	Total
2004-05	Killed	6			39					1			15		1		1		63
	Grievous	6			21				5	2		2	41				1		
	Injuries	Simple	7	14		26		1	1	14		1	68		1	4			
	TOTAL	13	14	0	47	0	1	0	6	16	0	3	109	0	1	4	1	0	215
2005-06	Killed	1	2	9	17				1	116	16	19			1		13		195
	Grievous	3		8	22	1		6	2	26	6	51		3	4		12		
	Injuries	Simple	3	1	23	44	4		6		78	27	124		18	6		24	1
	TOTAL	6	1	31	66	5	0	12	2	104	33	175	0	21	10	0	36	1	503
2006-07	Killed		37	13	6		1		3	2									62
	Grievous	6	12	8	12	16	1		1	1		9					10	1	
	Injuries	Simple	21	4	5		14	3		10	4		100					4	4
	TOTAL	27	16	13	12	30	4	0	11	5	0	109	0	0	0	0	14	5	246
2007-08	Killed	1			21	1	9	2	1	3				3			2		43
	Grievous	2			19	4	10	4	9	1			3	11		2	14	1	
	Injuries	Simple	3			24	7	44	2	26	2	22		3	31		2	21	1
	TOTAL	5	0	0	43	11	54	6	35	3	22	0	6	42	0	4	35	2	268
2008-09	Killed	5	1		17	1	1			32				9		2	12		79
	Grievous	2	1	9	17	15			3	6				7			8		
	Injuries	Simple	4	1	25	20	1		3	41	1			128		5	5		
	TOTAL	6	2	34	37	16	0	0	6	47	1	0	0	135	0	5	13	0	302

2009-10	Killed		2	1	6	4		1	7	4	2	1			1			39		68
		Grievous	18	2	3	1		4	8	6	8	5				3		38		
	Injuries	Simple	27	2	4	4	4	7	15	6	19	13				1		49		
		TOTAL	45	4	7	5	4	11	23	12	27	18	0	0	0	4	0	87	0	247
2010-11	Killed			66		3	1	1							1		24	2		251
		Grievous		48		1	1	1									17	6	1	
	Injuries	Simple		50		1		34						2	2	19	11			
		TOTAL	0	98	0	2	1	35	0	0	0	169	0	0	2	2	36	17	1	363
2011-12	Killed			6	11	1	1		11						10		4	71		115
		Grievous		3	4	5		4	23						12	2	13	91		
	Injuries	Simple	2	71	8	14		15	68			1			27	3	37	173		
		TOTAL	2	74	12	19	0	19	91	0	0	1	0	0	39	5	50	264	0	576
2012-13	Killed		1		1	9	10				30	1				26		1	2	81
		Grievous	10		6	6	6	3			6		3		8	25			2	
	Injuries	Simple	28		14	49	2	14	4		19		3		16	72				
		TOTAL	38		20	55	8	17	4	0	25	0	6	0	24	97	0	0	2	296
2013-14	Killed		4	1		2			3	1	2	2	9			28		1	1	54
		Grievous																		
	Injuries	Simple																		
		TOTAL	35	7	13				2	32	6	3	8	0		11			4	121
2014-15	Killed		26		28		42				1				1					98
		Grievous	37		10	1	33	0							3					
	Injuries	Simple	57		23	7	88	22			2				4	3				
		TOTAL	94	0	35	8	121	22	0	0	2	0	0	0	7	3	0	0	0	290