

**Covering the open railway maintenance yards**

766. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that most of the train maintenance centres of Railways are not having enclosed or restricted spaces but are open yards;

(b) whether Railways propose to progressively convert the old open yards to totally sanitized and covered maintenance centres;

(c) if so, whether Railway have a plan with time-frames and targets to achieve the same; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA) : (a) Maintenance of passenger trains is done in a demarcated area within the railway yards. Wherever feasible boundary walls have also been constructed to regulate the entry of outsiders. Train examination of freight trains is generally done in open yards.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Do not arise.

(d) Do not arise.

**Accident at New Delhi railway station**

†767. SHRIMATI KANAK LATA SINGH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the agencies/persons because of whose negligence one passenger was killed and another was injured while boarding a train to Bihar at New Delhi railway station in October;

(b) the steps taken by Railways' administration for handling the rush for Chhath Puja and the manner in which it was being monitored;

(c) whether it is a fact that four years ago two passengers had died while boarding train for Chhath Puja; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and action taken after the accident that occurred four years ago?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA) : (a) A three member Junior Administrative Grade (JAG) officers Committee,

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