

Year	Number of Accidents	Passengers killed
2011-12	77	100
2012-13	69	60
2013-14	71	42

New rail line proposal from undivided Andhra Pradesh

2697. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T. : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the undivided Andhra Pradesh had submitted a proposal for laying a new railway line by giving land, free of cost, between Pandurangapatnama and Bhadrachalam;

(b) if so, when was the request received; and

(c) the action taken by Railways thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA): (a) to (c) Ministry of Railways had requested Government of Andhra Pradesh to share 50% cost of the project and to provide land free of cost. State Government vide their letter dated 11.06.2008 had agreed to provide land free of cost and getting the earth work in formation done under Jawahar Rojgar Yojana.

In view of the State Government not agreeing to share 50% of cost of the project and also due to unremunerative nature of the project and large throw forward of ongoing New Line projects and competing demands, the project could not be taken forward.

Royal Rajasthan on Wheels

†2698. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Royal Rajasthan on Wheels has failed to attract tourists;

(b) the number of tourists who enjoyed the journey by the said train during the last one year;

(c) whether steps are being taken by Government to make the train more popular, if so, the details thereof; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.