

- To minimize effects of accidents, coaches with Centre Buffer Couplers are being manufactured with anti-climbing features.

Reducing deaths on Mumbai suburban railway network

631. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the measures adopted under the 'Final Mile' Wadala experiment campaign by the Central Railway have been successful in reducing deaths on the Mumbai suburban railway network, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether these measures have been replicated in other parts of the country, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA): (a) Yes, Sir. The campaign is successful in Mumbai Division of Central Railway. The details of the average/month number of persons killed/injured on Central Railway for the years 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 are as under:—

Year	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Average/Month number of killed/injured	166.3	141	123*

* for the first three months only.

(b) The suggestion of M/s Final Mile regarding additional posters were also tried at some level crossings on Jaipur Division of North Western Railway and at South Eastern Railway and South Western Railway on pure experimental basis.

Train between Jodhpur and Chennai

†632. SHRI RAM NARAIN DUDI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of trains being run by the Ministry between Jodhpur and Chennai at present; and

(b) the load of passengers on this route and whether Government proposes to increase the frequency of trains between Jodhpur and Chennai, if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA): (a) Presently, two pairs of train services viz. 16125/16126 Chennai Egmore-Jodhpur Express (weekly) and 16863/16864 Bhagat Ki Kothi-Mannargudi Express (weekly) connect Jodhpur to Chennai.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.