



Ministry of Home Affairs

# Train accident in Andhra Pradesh is extremely distressing: Union Home Minister

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The Union Home Minister, Shri Rajnath Singh has said that the news of train accident in Andhra Pradesh is extremely distressing and deeply pained over the loss of precious lives. He was reviewing the situation of the train accident in Vizianagaram district of Andhra Pradesh as eight coaches of Hirakund Express derailed last night. He expressed his condolences to the families of the deceased.

The Union Home Minister said that National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) teams have already reached the spot to carry out rescue and relief operations. He further said that due care and diligence is being taken into consideration by NDRF teams as the victims might be trapped under the mangled bogies, the operation is still in progress. The Director General, NDRF is monitoring the situation round the clock and a 24x7 NDRF Control Room is in touch with Railway Authorities and local civil administration to render any kinds of assistance, he added.

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