

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA

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ANSWERED ON

SUICIDE ATTEMPTS ON KOLKATA METRO TRACK .

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RAILWAYS be pleased to state :-

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of suicide attempts is on the increase on Kolkata Metro-High Volt rail track;

(b) whether it is also a fact that besides, legal implications, the incidents are causing much inconvenience to the Metro rail users; and

(c) if so, what steps Government are taking to coordinate the relative role of the Police and Railways?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Yes, Sir. On account of suicide cases or attempt thereof, Metro Train Services are disrupted. The particular track is suspended till the dead body is removed because traction power is required to be switched off.

(c): RPF, Metro Railway Police and the Ticket checking staff have been instructed to keep vigilance over the commuters. Regular co-ordination meeting is held with Railway Police authorities.