

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.274
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.07.2024**

VACANCIES IN VARIOUS ZONAL RAILWAYS

274. SHRI RAJA A:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any review has been made by the Government to fill the reserved posts in Railways lying vacant for a long time;**
- (b) whether the Government has issued directions to various Zonal Railways and its undertakings to fill all the reserved posts in a time-bound manner;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;**
- (d) the number of vacancies in the various categories of posts reserved for OBCs, SCs, STs and PwDs (Persons with Disabilities) in the various Zonal Railways and in Railway Board and its undertakings in the last three years; and**
- (e) the efforts made by the Government to fill all the vacancies in a time bound manner?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING
AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.274 BY SHRI RAJA A TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 24.07.2024 REGARDING VACANCIES IN VARIOUS ZONAL RAILWAYS

(a) to (d): Every efforts are made to fill up the reserved vacancies by the candidates belonging to earmarked category along with the other candidates. Shortfall/Backlog of vacancies of SCs, STs, OBCs and PwBDs remained unfilled, if any are taken care of and carried forward for filling up through subsequent recruitment cycle.

The number of SCs, STs, OBCs and PwBDs candidates empanelled/recruited in Indian Railways during the last three years is mentioned below:

Group	Year	Category			
		SC	ST	OBC	PwBD
A	2021	44	28	44	6
	2022	55	23	86	12
	2023	15	10	56	1
B	There is no direct recruitment in Group 'B'				
C (including erstwhile Group 'D')	2021-2022	625	356	1231	28#
	2022-2023	12170	6123	22174	58#
	2023-2024	10939	5687	18685	376#

#In addition, '1852' PwBD candidates have been empanelled for level 1 posts from 2021-2022 to 2023-2024.

(e): Four Centralized Employment Notifications (CENs) for 32,603 vacancies (4708-SCs, 2649-STs, 7979-OBCs and 11 PwBDs vacancies) have been notified for recruitment to various Group 'C' posts during January to March 2024.
