

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5178  
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FORMULATION OF CENTRALISED PURCHASING POLICY  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways have formulated the centralized purchasing policy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the official of the Railways have violated this policy for their vested interests and to harm the Railways;
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (e) the action taken by the Government against such guilty officials ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS ( SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH )

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) Some identified high value items are procured centrally by Railway Board. Similarly, procurement of some diesel locomotive spares is centralized at Diesel Locomotive Works, Varanasi & Diesel Component Works, Patiala and procurement of some electric locomotives spares is centralized at Chittaranjan Locomotive Works. For centralized purchase items, direct procurement by Railways is permitted only in case of urgency for maintenance or completion of works.
- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) & (e) Do not arise.