

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5807
ANSWERED ON:30.08.2001
TRANSFER OF OFFICERS
RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some officers of Railway Board are being transferred to Zonal headquarters and circles in view of a large number of such officers concentrating at the Railway Board.
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the said transfers have already been effected;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the expenditures being incurred by the Government as a result of a large number of surplus officers ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a) to (e): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5807 BY SHRI RAVIN KUMAR PANDEY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 30-08-2001 REGARDING TRANSFER OF OFFICERS.

(a) to (e): In the Ministry of Railways, the posts are being partly manned by the officers belonging to the Railway Board Secretariat Service and partly by officers drawn from Zonal Railways. The officers who come from Zonal Railways have a prescribed tenure for posting in Board's Office, after which they are transferred to the Zonal Railways. The tenure puts a ceiling for their stay in Board though the officers can sometimes in administrative exigencies, are transferred even before completion of their tenure.

With the increase in the work load in the Ministry of Railways over a period of time, some of the posts/elements of the Zonal Railways posts, where the work load comparatively was not as much, were transferred for operation in the Ministry to meet the requirements of work. Of late, however, an exercise has been initiated to streamline the work and to surrender/repatriate or hold in abeyance some of these posts/elements as a measure of economy in expenditure. In the process, mostly officers who had completed their tenure in Board's Office only have been repatriated to the Railways.

Transfer of posts/elements and officers are effected in administrative interest and requirement. Keeping with these requirements, 27 Officers in various grades have been transferred to Zonal Railways out of Railway Board during the last year, up to July, 2001.