

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:341
ANSWERED ON:12.12.2002
RAILWAY WORKSHOPS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the railway workshops in various railway zones in the country as on date;
- (b) whether the Government are aware that Matunga and Parel workshops in Mumbai and Kurdwari railway workshop of Solapur are on the verge of closure;
- (c) if so, whether other railway workshops have also been facing the same situation;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor and the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (e) the action plan being formulated/proposed to be formulated by the Government for revival of the said workshops?

Answer

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NITISH KUMAR)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 341 BY SHRI RAM ATHAWALE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 12-12-2002 REGARDING RAILWAY WORKSHOPS

(a): Indian Railways is divided in eleven zones. The list of workshops on these railway zones is as follows:

Mechanical repair Workshops: (Total number = 43)

Central Railway - Parel, Kurduwadi, Matunga, Bhopal, Jhansi, Sithouli
Eastern Railway - Jamalpur, Kanchrapara, Lilluah
East Central Railway - Samastipur
Northern Railway - Charbagh, Alambagh, Jagadhari, Amritsar, Kalka
North Eastern Railway - Gorakhpur, Izatnagar
Northeast Frontier Railway - Dibrugarh, New Bongaigaon, Lumding, Tindharia
North Western Railway - Ajmer, Bikaner, Jodhpur
Southern Railway - Perambur (Loco), Perambur (Carriage), Golden Rock, Mysore
South Central Railway - Lallaguda, Guntapalli, Tirupati, Hubli
South Eastern Railway - Kharagpur, Nagpur, Raipur, Mancheswar
Western Railway - Dahod, Lower Parel, Mahalaxmi, Kota, Junagarh, Bhavnagar, Pratapnagar

Civil Engineering Workshops: (Total number = 10)

Central Railway - Manmad
Eastern Railway - Mughal Sarai (to be transferred to East Central Railway with effect from 1.4.03)
Northern Railway - Jalandhar, Lucknow
North Eastern Railway - Gorakhpur
Northeast Frontier Railway - Bongaigaon
Southern Railway - Arakkonam
South Central Railway - Lallaguda
South Eastern Railway - Sini
Western Railway - Sabarmati

Signal & Telecom Workshops: (Total number = 9)

Central Railway - Byculla
Eastern Railway - Howrah
Northern Railway - Ghaziabad
North Eastern Railway - Gorakhpur
Northeast Frontier Railway - Pandu
Southern Railway - Podanur
South Central Railway - Mettuguda
South Eastern Railway - Kharagpur
Western Railway - Sabarmati

Electrical Engineering Workshops: (Total number = 2)

Central Railway - Bhusawal, Nasik

(b): No, Sir. Matunga and Parel workshops in Mumbai and Kurduwadi workshop of Solapur are not on the verge of closure. These workshops are undertaking Periodic overhauling (POH) of Diesel locomotives, Broad Gauge (BG) Coaches, Air Conditioned (AC) Coaches, Electric Multiple Unit (EMU) and Narrow Gauge Coaches. Certain other activities like conversion of BG Coaches for Accident Relief Trains (ARTs), manufacture of brake blocks and POH of cranes are also undertaken in these workshops.

(c), (d) & (e): Does not arise. However, workload in the railway workshops are periodically reviewed by the Railway Board and decision regarding closure of a shop is taken based on such reviews and the emerging trends of rail traffic.