

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3896  
ANSWERED ON:13.12.2001  
USE OF UNFIT COACHES  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether 40614 Broad Gauge and 7331 Metre Gauge Coaches are in use and 1414 Broad and 1329 Metre Gauge Coaches have been declared unsafe and a safety hazard;
- (b) if so, the reasons for using such pronounced unfit coaches; and
- (c) the time by which these coaches will be replaced by the safe coaches?

**Answer**

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

- (a) No, Sir. As on 31.3.2001, Indian Railways had a fleet of 32141 Broad Gauge and 5030 Meter Gauge mainline coaches only. No unsafe coach is permitted in service.
- (b)&(c) Do not arise.