

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:169
ANSWERED ON:31.07.2003
REQUIREMENT OF COACHES
NAMDEO HARBAJI DWATHE

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the in-house production of railway coaches is sufficient to meet the requirement of the railway;
- (b) if so, the details of the different types of rail coaches manufactured in the country during each of the last two years, factory-wise;
- (c) whether railway coaches are also imported to meet the domestic demand;
- (d) if so, the names of those countries from where railway coaches have been imported during the last two years; and
- (e) the amount of foreign exchange spent thereon?

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.169 SHRI NAMDEO HARBAJI DWATHE TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 31.07.2003 REGARDING REQUIREMENT OF COACHES.

(a): Indian Railways have two coach production units namely Integral Coach Factory (ICF) Chennai and Rail Coach Factory (RCF) Kapurthala. The total installed capacity available in these units is for manufacture of 2000 coaches annually. This is normally sufficient to meet the present requirement of Indian Railways (IR). Besides the in-house capacity of CIF & RCF, Bharat Earth Mover Limited (BEML), Bangalore, a Public Sector Undertaking of the Ministry of Defence, and M/s. Jessops, a Public Sector Undertaking of the Ministry of Heavy Industries also have some capacity for manufacturing coaches, and any requirement of IR, in excess of in-house production capacity, is ordered on them.

(b): The Type-wise number of coaches manufactured in the last two years are as follows:

Type	Year	Railway Production	Other PSUs		
Units					
		ICF	RCF	BEML	JESSOPS
Electrical Multiple Unit (EMU)	2001-02	71	-	11	22
	2002-03	72	-	25	25
Mainline Electrical Multiple Unit (MEMU)	2001-02	-	48	-	-
	2002-03	84	-	-	-
Broad Gauge Diesel Multiple Units (BG DMU)	2001-02	57	-	-	-
	2002-03	30	-	-	-
Meter Gauge Diesel Multiple Units (MG DMU)	2001-02	-	-	-	-
	2002-03	-	12	-	-
Broad Gauge (BG) Air Conditioned Coaches	2001-02	100	275	-	-
	2002-03	98	223	-	-

Broad Gauge (BG) Non Air 2001-02 797 751 - -
Conditioned Coaches 2002-03 660 579 - -

Meter Gauge (BG) Non Air 2001-02 - 130 - -
Conditioned Coaches 2002-03 - 130 - -

(c): Indian Railways have imported 24 coaches against a one time supply and transfer of technology contract - finalised in 1995.

(d): The coaches as per the above contract were imported from Germany. These coaches were received in the year 2000.

(e): The amount of foreign exchange spent for the import of 24 coaches is Deutsche Marks 52,663,500 (equivalent to approximately Rs. 107 crores).