

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5006
ANSWERED ON:28.04.2005
REQUIREMENT OF WAGONS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made any assessment about the number of wagons required in the country, till 10th Plan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is a wide gap between the requirement and the availability of wagons at present; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken to remove the shortage of wagons?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5006 BY SHRI RUPCHAND MURMU, SHRI ANANTA NAYAK AND SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 28.04.05 REGARDING REQUIREMENT OF WAGONS

(a) & (b): For the X Plan, Railways had projected a requirement of 65,000 wagons (in terms of four wheeler units) based on the proposed revenue earning originating freight loading of 624 Million Tonnes for the terminal year 2006-07. The acquisition of wagons has been revised to 94214 wagons (in terms of four wheeler units) in the Mid Term review of the Tenth Plan for the planned freight loading.

(c) & (d): Requirement of wagon is broadly assessed for five year plan period and fine tuned on annual basis keeping in view volume of freight traffic expected to be carried in that particular year. The total wagon production in the first three years of Tenth Plan was 53148.5 wagons in terms of four wheeler units despite under performance of the public sector units. Necessary assistance is being extended to the Public Sector Units for improving their productivity.