

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:465
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SHORTAGE OF RACKS WAGON IN ORISSA
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Orissa is not getting adequate number of racks/wagon for transporting freight particularly minerals;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by Railways to supply sufficient number of racks/wagon to meet the requirement of freight traffic in the State?

Answer

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

(a): No, Sir. The freight loading of East Coast Railway upto January in the current year was 4.40 million tonnes more than the loading achieved during corresponding period of last year. Minerals loading in Orissa upto January in current year was 3.68 million tonnes as against 3.56 million tonnes achieved during the year 2005-06.

(b) & (c): Do not arise.