

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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SHORTAGE OF COACHES

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is shortage of coaches in the Railways;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and how it is proposed to meet it;
- (c) whether there is also any proposal to enhance the capacities of the existing railway coach factories;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

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

(a): No, Sir. At present, there is no shortage of coaches to run the scheduled services.

(b): Does not arise.

(c) to (e): Yes, Sir. Works have been approved for augmenting capacity of RCF (Rail Coach Factory), Kapurthala and ICF (Integral Coach Factory), Chennai from 1000 coaches per year to 1400 coaches & 1500 coaches per year, respectively. Apart from augmenting the existing capacity, there is also a proposal to set up a new coach factory, to meet the projected increase in demand.