

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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SHORTAGE OF QUALIFIED ENGINEERS IN RAILWAYS

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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways are facing shortage of qualified engineers for its ongoing projects;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Indian Railways Institute of Civil Engineering (IRICEN) is imparting training to engineers;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether it is proposed to impart training to engineers from private companies and PSUs to meet the shortage; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof ?

**Answer**

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

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Yes, Sir.
- (d) After their recruitment, officers of Civil Engineering department are provided 78 weeks probationary training and thereafter, in-service training from time to time in professional areas.
- (e) & (f) Do not arise.