

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:617
ANSWERED ON:25.02.2010
VACANT POSTS IN RAILWAYS
Natarajan Shri P.R.

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of vacancies in various categories in Railways during the last three years and current year, Zone-wise;
- (b) the action taken to fill up these vacancies;
- (c) whether there is no fresh recruitment of workmen in proportionate to the expansion of Railways; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.617 BY SHRI P.R. NATARAJAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 25-02-2010 REGARDING VACANT POSTS IN RAILWAYS.

(a) Details of Railway-wise and Zone-wise vacancies for the last three years including the current year are as follows:

ZONE Vacancies as Vacancies as Vacancies as
 on 01-04-07 on 01-04-08 on 01-04-09

Central 12496 11841 11314

Eastern 12799 13955 12864

East Central 14765 16567 17231

East Coast 8210 9626 9797

Northern 16434 17010 19219

North Central 8905 9523 9131

North Eastern 3433 4941 5799

Northeast Frontier 9072 11185 8957

North Western 8560 8474 7301

Southern 7130 7845 7949

South Central 10403 11743 10614

South Eastern 12264 12414 11645

South East Central 9615 8685 9959

South Western 8050 8745 8616

Western 15810 9253 11001

West Central 7643 8189 8416

TOTAL 165589 169996 169813

(b) to (d) Any large organization like the Railway will have vacancies at any point of time. Arising and filling up of vacancies is a continuous process. Vacancies arise due to normal retirement, voluntary retirements, deaths, promotions etc. Vacancies are filled in primarily through open market recruitments, promotions and compassionate ground appointments, which are done through Railway Recruitment Boards or by the Zonal Railways themselves. Other vacancies in the promotional grade are however filled through departmental promotions. The policy of the railway administration is to fill up available vacant posts promptly as per the laid down procedure. Requisite indents are placed for filling up vacancies including those against new posts, created for new/expanding activities.