

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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RAILWAY SAFETY RELATED VACANCIES

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the allocation and utilisation of resources, for security related activities, in Railways, for the last two years and the current year, year and zone-wise;
- (b) the number of posts related to railway safety including drivers and motormen lying vacant for each of the last three years and the current year, zone-wise;
- (c) the steps taken by the Railways to fill the vacant posts expeditiously;
- (d) whether Railways plan to install anti-collision devices in all the trains;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the Sabha.

(c) General Managers are empowered to assess the requirement and get the same filled up from time to time by placing indents on Railway Recruitment Boards in case of group 'C' categories. For group 'D' requirement the recruitment done is done by Railways themselves through Railway Recruitment Cells. Occurrence & filling up of vacancies is a continuous process. Centralized Employment Notifications have been issued for about 40,000 posts in various Group 'C' categories including Safety categories. Recently technical audit of the system of Railway Recruitment Board examinations has been carried out and examinations will be conducted as per new system of examinations from last week of September, 2010 onwards.

(d) & (e) The Anti-Collision Device developed by Konkan Railway Corporation Limited has been in service trials as pilot project on 1736 Route Kilometers of North East Frontier Railway. Based on experience on NFR, specifications for ACD were revised to improve efficacy, reliability and availability of ACD. The improved version of the ACD to revised specification is now to be developed by KRCL for service trials on three zones, viz, Southern, South Central and South Western Railways, covering 1600 Route kilometers that include multiple lines, automatic signaling & electrified sections. Further installation of ACD on Indian Railway will be planned, based on performance evaluation of equipment with improved specifications, on Southern, South Central and South Western Railways.

(f) Does not arise.