

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:323
ANSWERED ON:02.12.2010
RAIL COACHES AND WAGONS
Abdulrahman Shri

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have assessed the annual requirement of coaches and wagons;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the annual production capacity of all rail coach factories in the country;
- (d) the production of coaches and wagons in the country during the last three years;
- (e) the capacity utilisation of production units, unit-wise;
- (f) the reasons for underutilisation of capacity; and
- (g) the steps taken by the Railways to increase the production capacity of the rail coach factories?

Answer

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE)

(a) to (g): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 323 BY SHRI ABDUL RAHMAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 02.12.2010 REGARDING RAIL COACHES AND WAGONS.

(a) & (b) Yes, Madam. Assessment of requirement of coaches and wagons during a particular year is made on the basis of traffic targets fixed in consultation with Planning Commission. During 2010-11, Railways expect to carry 944 million tonnes of revenue traffic and 7773 million passengers for which an additional requirement of 18000 wagons and 4000 coaches has been projected.

(c) Indian Railways has two rail coach factories, namely, Integral Coach Factory, Chennai and Rail Coach Factory, Kapurthala. The current production capacity of each of them is 1500 coaches per annum. M/s. BEML Ltd. and private industries also supplement the production of coaches.

(d) The production of coaches and wagons in the country during the last three years is as under:-

Year	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Coaches	3101	3193	3494
Wagons	14700	15261	15597

(e) Indian Railways has six Production Units for manufacture of locomotives, coaches and wheels and for loco modernization. The capacity of all Production Units is being utilized to the maximum extent as indicated below:

Production Unit	Product capacity (on completion of all on-going works)	Current Production	Actual utilization	Capacity
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Chittaranjan Electric Locomotive Works	200	220	110%
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Diesel Diesel 200 258 129%
Locomotive locomotives
Works,
Varanasi

Integral Coach Coaches 1500 1433 95.5%
Factory,
Chennai

Rail Coach Coaches 1500 1568 104.5%
Factory,
Kapurthala

Rail Wheel Wheels 200000 187450 93.7%
Factory, Axles 52000 65302 125.6%
Bangalore

Diesel Loco Loco 72 112 155.5%
Modernisation rebuilding
Works, Patiala

(f) All Production Units of Railways except Integral Coach Factory, Chennai and Rail Wheel Factory, Bangalore have achieved over 100% capacity utilization. The capacity utilization of Integral Coach Factory, Chennai was marginally less as the capacity augmentation works were still going on. The Rail Wheel Factory, Bangalore also had marginally less utilization as production target for wheels was scaled down due to inadequate demand of wheels.

(g) A work has been sanctioned to expand the capacity of Integral Coach Factory, Chennai from the existing capacity of 1500 to 1700 coaches per annum. Considering the increasing requirement of Coaches and Wagons, various initiatives for setting up new Coach and Wagon manufacturing facilities have also been taken.