GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2943 ANSWERED ON:18.08.2011 VACANT POSTS IN RAILWAYS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of vacant posts both technical and non-technical in various Railway zones including Railway Board, post-wise and category-wise indicating the vacancies reserved for SC and ST therein;
- (b) the time since when these posts are lying vacant and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the functioning of the Railways has been affected to a large extent as a result of non-filling of vacant posts; and
- (d) the efforts being made by the Railways to fill up the key posts in the Railways?

Answer

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

(a) The total number of vacant posts Category-wise on Indian Railways in Technical and Non-Technical departments as on 01.04.2010 is as under: - A&B C&D

Technical 1567 125199

Non-Technical (-)126 72892

Total 1441 198091

indicates excess As per Government of India policy 15% and 7½% posts are reserved for SC & ST respectively.

- (b) Vacancies as on 1.4.2010 have occurred due to normal retirements, voluntary retirements, deaths, promotions and on account of creations of posts etc. and process of their filling up is continuous through recruitment, transfers and promotion. There is always a time lag between occurrence of vacancies and processing the same for filling up which involves notification of vacancies, holding examinations, finalization of select panels and issues of appointment letters. The Railways are committed to filling up vacant posts, promptly as per the laid down procedure.
- (c) No, Madam. The efficiency parameters for train operations have shown continuous improvement over the years. Further, the productivity of employees, measured in terms of net tonne kilometers(NTKMs) and passenger kilometers (PKM) per employee has also shown continuous improvement over the years.
- (d) Notifications for filling up of about 1,90,000 posts have been issued.