

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2641  
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SHORTAGE OF RAIL RACKS  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways have not sufficient number of rail racks to send the food items from their godowns to each State especially in Orissa;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Railways to increase the number of rail racks in the country?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c) : No, Madam. There are enough rakes available with the Railways to carry foodgrains to all needy States including Orissa as per programme given by Food Corporation of India. For the State of Orissa, during the period from April-09 to June-09, FCI gave a programme of 30 rakes, all of which were loaded. Railways are according high priority to allotment of rakes for movement of foodgrains.