

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5630

ANSWERED ON:10.05.2012

VACANT RAILWAY QUARTERS

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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total number of railway quarters lying vacant as on date, type-wise, zone-wise, particularly in Delhi region;
- (b) whether some of these quarters have been vacant for several years and some of these were also classified as un-popular in 1998;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the reasons for such vacancy for several years and the basis on which such classification was made; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Railways in regard to these quarters vacant for several years?

**Answer**

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

(a): Zone-wise details for number of quarters and vacant quarters are appended. In Delhi area, there are about 11270 number of quarters, out of which about 804 no. of quarters are vacant at present.

(b) & (c): Out of the 804 vacant quarters, 143 quarters are in unpopular category because of encroachments in surrounding area and other such factors. 139 quarters are vacant at Delhi Sarai Rohilla out of which 115 quarters are unsafe structures.

(d) & (e): Vacancy, repair and allotment of quarters is a continuous process. Quarters, which can be made habitable, are improved in a planned manner while the rest, which are unsafe structures, are abandoned and suitably dealt with as per laid down procedure.

Repair and improvement of quarters is an ongoing activity and works in this regard are taken up every year in a phased manner as per availability of funds.

APPENDIX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5630 BY SHRI RAMKISHUN, SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR AND SHRI E.G.SUGAVANAM TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 10.05.2012 REGARDING VACANT RAILWAY QUARTERS

(As on March, 2012)

RAILWAY ZONES TOTAL NUMBER OF NUMBER OF QUARTERS

RAILWAY QUARTERS LYING VACANT

Central	41698	3574
Eastern	35073	9555
East Central	16340	161
East Coast	22881	4357
Northern	71337	3012
North Central	26266	1058
North Eastern	16799	637
Northeast Frontier	57452	4013
North Western	28776	1884
Southern	26493	3885
South Central	33278	4472
South Eastern	44929	3120
Southeast Central	27555	2584
South Western	13935	2821
Western	51495	6048
West Central	27518	1116
Metro	645	0
TOTAL	542470	52297