

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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VACANT POSTS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of posts are lying vacant in the Railways and the existing officers have to bear additional workload as a result thereof;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total number of posts of Train Ticket Examiner(TTE) lying vacant in the Railways as on date;
- (d) whether due to huge number of vacant posts of TTE ticket checking process of passengers is adversely affected in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Railways to fill up the said vacancies?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY)

(a) & (b): Any large organization like the Railways will have certain vacancies at any given point of time and this itself does not put any extra burden on officials.

(c) to (e): As on 01.04.2012 there are about 1500 vacant posts of TTE on the Zonal Railways. Adequate number of TTEs are essential for ensuring ticket checking activities in reserved coaches and for ensuring on board services. Railways have been advised from time to time to place indents for direct recruitment and also to fill up posts through promotion as per extant procedures. Railway Recruitment Boards have received indents from Zonal Railways for recruitment of 2314 ticket checking staff.