

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:12  
ANSWERED ON:02.07.2009  
SHORTAGE OF COACHES  
Rawat Shri Ashok Kumar

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

- (a) whether there is a shortage of Railway coaches in the country;
- (b) if so, the estimated shortage of coaches as on date and the number of coaches which have outlived their life but are still in use;
- (c) whether the Railways are contemplating setting up of new manufacturing units for passenger coaches; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS(KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.12 BY SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 02.07.2009 REGARDING SHORTAGE OF COACHES.

(a) to (d): Taking into account the unfulfilled demands for introduction of trains, there is shortage of coaches on Indian Railways.

As on date, about 555 EMU coaches and 91 broad gauge conventional coaches, which have outlived their codal life, are being used on train services after ensuring their safe running and provision of all passenger amenities.

A new rail coach factory is being set up at Rae Bareli,Uttar Pradesh.Work for the land acquisition and setting up the factory is in progress. Another Rail Coach Factory is proposed to be set up at Palakkad, Kerala for which requisite approval is under process.