

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:959
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STALLS AT RAILWAY STATIONS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Railways have offered book stalls to unemployed youths on platform of various railway stations under a special package and if so, the time since which this scheme was started and number and details of such stalls, State and zone-wise; and

(b) the number and details of such stalls offered to unemployed youths so far, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a): Railway does not offer bookstalls to unemployed youths, however, as per Bookstall Policy dated 12.10.2004, there is a provision for allotment of bookstalls at B and below B category of railway stations to individual unemployed graduates, their co-operative, their organizations or their partnership enterprises. The Bookstall Policy dated 12.10.2004 has been quashed by the Hon'ble Allahabad High Court. An appeal has been filed against the order of Hon'ble Allahabad High Court and the matter is sub judice before Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

(b): Does not arise.