## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4285 ANSWERED ON:20.04.2015 WOMEN TICKET CHECKERS Noor Smt. Mausam

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

- (a) whether there is a shortage of women travelling ticket examiners in the railways;
- (b) if so, the steps taken to recruit more women travelling ticket examiners till date;
- (c) whether the Railways have noted a rising number of assaults against women travelling ticket examiners; and
- (d) if so, the action taken by the Railways in this regard?

## **Answer**

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

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4285 BY SHRIMATI MAUSAM NOOR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 20.04.2015 REGARDING WOMEN TICKET CHECKERS

- (a) & (b): Adequate number of TTEs are essential for ensuing effective Ticket Checking and also for ensuing on board checking. However, following the Constitutional provisions, on Indian Railways jobs are not restricted on the basis of State(s), region(s), Area(s), Caste(s) or Creed(s) and Gender(s), and any person can apply for jobs advertised by the Railway Recruitment Boards, on the basis of their qualification.
- (c) & (d): The number of cases of assault against women TTEs registered over Indian Railways during the last three years along with number of persons arrested is as under:

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Year No. of cases of assault No. of persons arrested on women TTEs
2012 2 2
2013 2 2
2014 5 18
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Policing on Railways is a State subject and prevention of crime, registration of cases and their investigation in Railway premises as well as on running trains are therefore, the statutory responsibility of the State Governments which they discharge through Government Railway Police (GRP) of the State concerned

Railway Protection Force (RPF) supplements the efforts of Government Police by deploying its staff for escorting of important trains. Escort staff have been instructed to render assistance whenever required to the on-board railway staff including TTEs. Ticket Checking drives are conducted in coordination with RPF personnel to ensure security to the Ticket Checking staff. Senior officers conduct surprise checks to ensure alertness of on duty staff.