

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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RAIL KIOSKS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the companies which are running railways' rail kiosks in the country at present, zone-wise;
- (b) the number of kiosks allotted to each of such companies;
- (c) whether a large number of small businessmen/vendors who are earning their livelihood through their existing stalls/vending licenses in stations are facing problem;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the remedial steps taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) and (b): Presently, about 11057 minor static units and Automatic Vending Machines (AVMs) consisting of Tea Stalls, Milk Stalls, Fruit and Juice Stalls, curio/miscellaneous /bookstalls etc., are running on Indian Railways. These are run by various individual licensees and as such, information sought for i.e. name of the companies and number of kiosks allotted to each of such companies, involves huge/voluminous data from different departments of all Zonal Railways.
- (c): No, Madam.
- (d): Does not arise.
- (e): Does not arise.