

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1525  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.12.2018**

**IMPROVEMENT OF RAILWAY INFRASTRUCTURE**

**†1525. DR. RAMESH POKHRIYAL “NISHANK”:**

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

- (a) the investment made to improve the Railway infrastructure during the last three years in view of the increasing rail accidents in the country;**
- (b) the plan for the next five years in view of the increasing load on Railway infrastructure;**
- (c) the details of the specific steps taken to mobilise resources for the development of Railway infrastructure; and**
- (d) the details of the specific steps taken to augment the capacity of human resources in the railway during the last three years and to bring it at par with the international standards?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)**

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1525 BY DR. RAMESH POKHRIYAL “NISHANK” TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 19.12.2018 REGARDING IMPROVEMENT OF RAILWAY INFRASTRUCTURE**

**(a): Capital expenditure (Capex) of Railways is majorly aimed at improving and augmenting infrastructure for enhancing safety.**

**Capital expenditure by Railways in last three years is as under:**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Capex (₹ in cr.)</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	<b>109935</b>
<b>2017-18</b>	<b>101989</b>
<b>2018-19(BE)*</b>	<b>146500</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>358424</b>

**\*BE- Budget Estimate**

**(b): In view of increasing load on railway infrastructure, Indian Railways has assessed that an investment to the tune of ₹8.56 Lakh Cr in five years from 2016 will be required against infrastructure project including acquisition, construction, replacement & renewal of assets etc.**

**(c): Railways have taken various steps to mobilize resources for developing its infrastructure since 2014-15 from Extra Budgetary Resources. From 2015-16 contribution of funds from Extra Budgetary Resources namely Institutional Finance (EBR (IF)) and Public Private Partnership (EBR (PPP)) has been substantial. From 2015-16 to 2018-19(BE) Indian Railways has been able to mobilize ₹68107 crore from EBR (IF). PPP policy initiatives in the same period has resulted in investment of ₹92915 crore. Year-wise detail of both the resources is as below:**

□ in Cr.

Year	EBR(IF)	EBR(PPP)
2010-15	0	0
2015-16	9888	15081
2016-17	11465	26834
2017-18(RE)**	20314	24000
2018-19(BE)*	26440	27000
Total	68107	92915

**\*\*RE- Revised Estimate**

**\* BE- Budget Estimate**

To address Railways' requirement for critical safety works, the Government has introduced a new fund 'Rashtriya Rail Sanraksha Kosh (RRSK) since 2017-18. It has a corpus of □1 lakh crore to be utilized over a period of five years and has an annual outlay of □20,000 crore.

**(d): There are 7 Centralized Training Institutes (CTIs) to cater to the training needs of Railway officers and 17 proposed Zonal Multi-Disciplinary Training Institutes and 68 proposed Divisional Multi-Disciplinary Training Institutes and specialized training centers for non-gazetted staff. Recruitment and training on Railways have been tailored to adapt to modern technology in Rolling stock, Track and Signaling systems and use of Information Technology. Apart from in-house training, railway employees are also sent for foreign training under transfer of technology and are also provided inputs through leading training institutes within India. About more than 3.5 lakh employees are trained annually on Indian Railways which roughly works out to more than a quarter of total staff strength.**

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