

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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FOREIGN DEPUTATION OF SC/ST/OBC
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railway Board had given commitment to appoint SCs/STs/OBCs abroad on deputation in IRCON;
- (b) if so, whether such commitment has not been honoured by the IRCON;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to ensure the deputation of SCs/STs/OBCs abroad?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

- (a): Railway Board had assured the Parliamentary Committee on the Welfare of SC/ST that steps would be taken for giving adequate publicity amongst the SC/ST officers so that more SC/ST officers come on deputation to IRCON and other PSUs.
- (b) & (c): SC/ST officers are being sent on deputation abroad by IRCON to the extent possible depending upon requirement of personnel by client, their educational qualification, work experience, etc.
- (d): Railway Ministry had issued letter to all General Managers to take various steps to encourage the deputation of SC/ST officers and to freely forward their names to the Ministry for such deputation.