

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4161  
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TEA STALLS  
Singh Shri Brij Bhushan Sharan

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

- (a) whether Central Railway/ Railway Board has made a policy to have all tea-stalls of same size at all stations of Central Railway;
- (b) if so, the details thereof ;
- (c) the number of tea-stalls were found of the size in excess of the standard size decided in the said policy ;
- (d) the number of big size tea stalls have been converted into standard size ;
- (e) the number of tea-stalls have remained of the size in excess of the standard size decided in the above referred policy ; and
- (f) the officials responsible for not converting the remaining big size tea-stalls into standard size and the time by which these remaining tea-stalls are likely to be converted into standard size ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS ( SHRI R. VELU )

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) As per policy guidelines it has been decided to replace the old catering stalls with modular style in order to have free movement of passengers.
- (c) 46 tea stalls were found of the size in excess of the standard size as per policy guidelines.
- (d) Four big size tea stalls have been converted into standard size.
- (e) 42 tea stalls are still in excess of the standard size.
- (f) All the catering/vending contractors have been advised to convert their stall into standard modular stalls as per the policy guidelines. Condition for conversion of non-standard size stall into modular stalls has also been incorporated into the new catering/vending license agreements as well as notification to be published for fresh award of contracts. Hence licences will not be renewed and new stalls allotted by IRCTC (Indian Railway Catering & Tourism Corporation) / Railway will not be allowed unless the stalls are conforming to the "Modular Stall Policy"