

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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HEALTH CARE FACILITIES TO RAILWAY EMPLOYEES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of health care facilities available to Railway employees in West Bengal;
- (a) the details of places in the State where health care units like hospitals, dispensaries etc. are proposed to be set up during the Tenth Five Year Plan; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) Comprehensive Health Care facilities are being provided to Railway Employees of the State of West Bengal, both serving and retired (only those who join Retired Employees Liberalised Health Scheme), and their family members through thirteen (13) Railway Hospitals viz. Two (2) well equipped Zonal Head Quarter (Central) Hospitals, Six (6) Divisional Hospitals, Two (2) Sub-divisional Hospitals, One (1) Production Unit Hospital, Two (2) workshop based Hospitals and Seventy-Four (74) Railway Health Units located all over the State. Multi-speciality facilities are available at the Zonal Head Quarter Hospitals. Help is also taken from State Government hospitals. Railways have also recognised three (3) specialised private hospitals for providing medical treatment to the railway employees.
- (b) At present there is no proposal for setting up of more Railway Hospitals and Health Units during the Tenth Five Year Plan in the State of West Bengal. However, there is a proposal for major upgradation of B.R. Singh Hospital, Eastern Railway, Kolkata.
- (c) Railway Hospitals and Health Units are set up on need basis as an ongoing process.