

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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ALLOTMENT OF BOOKSTALLS TO UNEMPLOYED GRADUATES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per new bookstall policy the unemployed graduates and their organisations as well as other weaker sections of the society have no right to get bookstalls at 'A', class category stations ; and

(b) if so, the detailed reasons therefor ?

Answer

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

(a) and (b) : At 'A' category station only registered firms fulfilling financial/solvency criteria and having atleast 10 persons on its roll, 50% of whom should be graduate and which has at least one similar bookstall/bookshop in the same city can participate in the two packet tender. Therefore, unemployed graduates, their organisations and other weaker sections of the society can have bookstalls at 'A' Category stations through competitive bidding if they fulfil the above eligibility criteria.