

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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REQUIREMENTS OF EQUIPMENTS IN RAILWAYS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Railways had projected to acquire 9160 coaches and 1745 Electrified Multiple Unit (EMUs) during the Tenth Plan period;
- (b) if so, the reasons for shortfall in acquiring the required number of coaches and EMUs;
- (c) whether considering the growth in traffic and dedicated freight corridor set to take off, railways supply side is bound to shrink before its requirement; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken or being taken by Railways to meet its requirement of coaches and EMUs?

Answer

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

- (a): Railways had projected a requirement of 9160 coaches and 1965 Electrified Multiple Unit (EMUs) during the 10th Plan Period.
- (b): The total acquisition of coaches and EMUs during the 10th Plan period is likely to exceed the total projected requirement. However, the acquisition of EMUs is likely to be lower than the projections due to limitation in the total manufacturing capacity.
- (c) & (d): Action has been initiated to augment the capacity of coach manufacturing units by 900 per year to meet the increased requirement. Works have also been sanctioned to enhance Electric Multiple Unit (EMU) building capability at Integral Coach Factory.