

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:31  
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AUTOMATIC TICKET VENDING MACHINES  
Kharventhan Shri Salarapatty Kuppusamy

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

- (a) whether the Railways have any proposal to instal Automatic Ticket Vending Machines at major railway stations in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the estimated cost of installation of each ticket vending machine;
- (c) whether it is proposed to rope in private companies for installing the same by providing advertisement space to them;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which the Automatic Ticket Vending Machines are likely to be installed ?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Initially a work for 300 Automatic Ticket Vending Machines (ATVMs) was sanctioned for Mumbai area. Subsequently 450 more ATVMs were sanctioned for other railways. So far 117 ATVMs have been made functional in Mumbai area and 33 more will be commissioned shortly. Further works for installation of 5594 more ATVMs, covering all A, B, C & D category stations of Indian Railways, have been included in Annual Budget 2007-08. Average cost for an ATVM equipment is approximately Rs.1.50 lacs.

(c) & (d): Yes, Sir. 5594 ATVMs are proposed to be installed through Public Private Partnership (PPP) model subject to suitable partners being available.

(e) ATVMs are likely to be installed in a phased manner by March'2009.