

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4181

ANSWERED ON:07.08.2014

VACANT POSTS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of posts lying vacant in various categories in the railway zones including reserved posts along with the time since when these posts are lying vacant and the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the working and efficiency of railways including security have been adversely affected by the large number of vacant posts in various categories;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the action taken by the Railways to fill up the vacant posts in a time-bound manner?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a)to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4181 BY SHRI MAHEISH GIRRI, SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL, SHRIMATI JAYSHREEBEN PATEL, SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI, SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE AND SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI PAATLE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.08. 2014 REGARDING VACANT POSTS

(a) The total number of vacant posts in various categories, including reserved posts, on the Zonal Railways, as on 01.04.2014 is 225863 (provisional). Vacancies occur due to normal retirements, voluntary retirements, deaths and on account of creations of posts etc. Filling up of vacancies is a continuous process and involves issue of notification of vacancies, holding examinations, finalization of select panels and issue of appointment letter.

(b) & (c): No, Madam. The efficiency parameters for train operations have shown continuous improvement over the years and there is no compromise on security matters.

(d): During the Financial Year 2013-14, total 73005 persons/panels were provided to the Zonal Railways. Further, new indents for 81000 posts have been placed on the Recruitment Agencies.