

Employees in Rail Coach Factory, Kapurthala

1811. SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH LIBRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of employees, category-wise in the Rail Coach Factory, Kapurthala in Punjab at present;

(b) whether this Rail Factory was established to give employment to the unemployed youths of Punjab;

(c) if so, how many employees belong to the Punjab State;

(d) the number of persons from Punjab who got training in this factory and expenditure incurred on their training, in the shape of stipend, etc; and

(e) how many such trainees have been absorbed on permanent basis in this factory?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) The total number of employees category-wise in the Rail Coach Factory as on 30.11.99 are as under:—

Group'A' 94	Group'B'	Group'C	Group'D*	Total
	62	5836	1127	7119

(b) No, Sir, the Rail Coach Factory was set up to cater to the additional requirement to coaches for Indian Railway's traffic needs.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) and (e) During the last four years 189 persons from Punjab got training in RCF / Kapurthala including 186 apprentices trained under the Apprentices Act, 1961 of which 3 have been absorbed on permanent basis. The total expenditure incurred on their training in the shape of stipend has been approximate Rs. 36 lakhs.