

Filling up of vacant posts

2750. SHRI TARINI KANTA ROY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the number of vacant posts of Group 'C' and Group 'D' employees that have been filled up in 2010-11 and 2011-12 so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Offer of stalls to unemployed youths

2751. SHRI R.C. SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Railways have offered book stalls to unemployed youths on platforms of various railway stations under a special package;
- (b) if so, the details thereof with the date of beginning of that scheme;
- (c) whether Railways have any data regarding number of such stalls;
- (d) if so, the list of such stations, zone-wise;
- (e) whether Railways have also offered catering/vending contracts to unemployed youths;
- (f) if so, the names of stations where such stalls were offered; and
- (g) the total number of beneficiaries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The policy was introduced on the Railways during 1973-74, which gave guidelines for award of bookstalls to unemployed youths on railway stations.

(c) to (g) The information is being collected from the Zonal Railways and will be laid before the House.

Commuter Rail System in and around Bengaluru

2752. DR. VIJAY MALLYA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether State Government of Karnataka has proposed to Railways to implement the Commuter Rail System in and around Bengaluru under PPP mode with or without participation of the Central Government;
- (b) whether the proposal has been discussed with Railways on a number of occasions; and