- (d) whether due to the above, the effect is now being seen in works ranging from signalling to maintenance;
- (e) whether the head on collision between local trains has occurred in Mumbai due to this reason; and
 - (f) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) and (c) Arising and filling of vacancies is a continuous process. The policy of the Railway Administration is to fill up available vacancies promptly as per laid down procedures. Notification for filling up of about 1,90,000 posts have already been issued.
- (d) No, Sir. The efficiency parameters including employee productivity has shown an increasing trend over the years due to adoption of new technology and rationalized maintenance practices.
- (e) and (f) No, Sir. There is no direct correlation between vacancies and accidents. In the Mumbai incident, Statutory enquiry by the Commissioner of Railway Safety has been ordered.

Converting Vidisha Railway Station into a model station

- †923. CHAUDHARY MUNABBAR SALEEM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that an announcement was made by the then Minister of Railways in his budget speech for the year 2010-11 to convert Vidisha Railway Station into a model railway station but no work in this regard has been started so far; and
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI): (a) No, Sir. However, Vidisha Railway Station has already been developed under 'Model' Station Scheme.

(b) Does not arise.

Annual ceiling for MPLADS works concerning trusts/societies

- 924. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:
 - (a) whether the Ministry is aware of the difficulties faced by educational

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