close proximity of 0.94 Kms from adjacent Matunga station and 1.65 Kms from adjacent Sion station.

## Strength of Loco Pilots

- 147. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:
- (a) the total sanctioned strength of Loco Pilots and the number of vacancies in each Railway Zone since 2010, year-wise;
  - (b) whether loco pilots have been deployed in stationary duties;
  - (c) if so, the details and numbers thereof:
- (d) whether Government has taken any steps to reduce vacancies of Loco Pilots: and
  - (e) if so, the details thereof, if not. the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN): (a) Zone-wise statement in respect of total sanctioned strength of Loco Pilots and number of vacancies in each Railway Zone since 2010 is given in the Statement (*See* below).

- (b) and (c) Yes, Sir. 1186 Loco pilots are deployed on stationary duties within their cadre as Power Controllers, Crew Controllers etc.
- (d) and (e) Yes, Sir. Recruitments are made regularly from open market through Railway Recruitment Boards. Since 2011-12, 59,852 Assistant Loco Pilots have been recruited on the Railways.

Statement

Zone-wise details of sanctioned strength of LOCO pilots and number of vacancies

Railway	As on 01.04.2010		As on 01.04.2011	
	Sanctioned Strength	Vacancy	Sanctioned Strength	Vacancy
1	2	3	4	5
Central Railway	6942	824	6990	783
East Coast Railway	4165	1043	4693	1519
East Central Railway	6961	1183	7432	1837
Eastern Railway	5972	826	6069	1119

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1	2	3	4	5	
Metro Railway	150	13	314	138	
North Central Railway	5685	1065	5688	1704	
North Eastern Railway	2420	393	2680	508	
Northeast Frontier Railway	2464	256	2613	569	
Northern Railway	9921	2307	10470	2842	
North Western Railway	2915	513	2801	480	
South Central Railway	6224	1099	7364	2406	
South East Central Railway	4725	1416	4806	1067	
South Eastern Railway	5608	1111	5829	1376	
Southern Railway	4078	284	4110	464	
South Western Railway	2129	410	2131	410	
West Central Railway	4175	862	4244	567	
Western Railway	5542	785	5403	532	
Total	80096	14390	83637	18321	
Railway	As on 01	As on 01.04.2012		As on 01.04.2013	
	Sanctioned Strength	Vacancy	Sanctioned Strength	Vacancy	
1	6	7	8	9	
Central Railway	7453	1361	7639	1354	
East Coast Railway	4786	1269	5896	2281	
East Central Railway	6867	2427	7997	2115	
Eastern Railway	6408	1417	470	2413	
Metro Railway	314	136	284	106	
North Central Railway	5918	2000	6491	2186	
North Eastern Railway	2672	547	2640	486	
Northeast Frontier Railway	2707	579	2695	695	
Northern Railway	10138	2771	10068	1951	
North Western Railway	2778	261	2862	199	
North Western Kanway					

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1	6	7	8	9	
South East Central Railway	5384	1671	5392	926	
South Eastern Railway	6152	1491	6152	1305	
Southern Railway	4139	362	4132	374	
South Western Railway	2178	415	2316	468	
West Central Railway	4484	814	4484	616	
Western Railway	5593	742	5863	261	
Total	85656	20407	90447	20564	
Railway	As on 01	As on 01.04.2014		As on 01.04.2015	
	Sanctioned Strength	Vacancy	Sanctioned Strength	Vacancy	
1	10	11	12	13	
Central Railway	7580	915	7596	955	
East Coast Railway	6187	2047	6516	1820	
East Central Railway	10148	3416	9489	3199	
Eastern Railway	7444	1803	7598	954	
Metro Railway	284	72	295	66	
North Central Railway	6750	2514	7712	1893	
North Eastern Railway	2765	331	3192	783	
Northeast Frontier Railway	2750	735	2841	1070	
Northern Railway	10521	1919	11125	2208	
North Western Railway	2963	382	3056	491	
South Central Railway	8516	1132	8702	1465	
South East Central Railway	5943	1110	6229	1045	
South Eastern Railway	6365	1174	6460	940	
Southern Railway	4262	322	4262	453	
South Western Railway	2357	222	2408	196	
West Central Railway	4650	810	4777	484	
Western Railway	6549	626	6506	840	
Total	96034	19540	98764	18862	

Railway	As on 01.0.2016		As on 01.04.2017*	
	Sanctioned Strength	Vacancy	Sanctioned Strength	Vacancy
1	14	15	16	17
Central Railway	7684	1130	7868	1393
East Coast Railway	7198	2139	7572	1368
East Central Railway	9878	3024	9841	3550
Eastern Railway	7598	928	7484	775
Metro Railway	295	57	295	0
North Central Railway	7932	2231	8573	2437
North Eastern Railway	3385	1059	3325	694
Northeast Frontier Railway	2947	930	2588	84
Northern Railway	11501	2845	11696	1955
North Western Railway	3739	871	3465	629
South Central Railway	9327	2171	9317	1928
South East Central Railway	6939	1432	6933	838
South Eastern Railway	6505	747	7119	546
Southern Railway	4402	172	4468	218
South Western Railway	2610	259	2746	342
West Central Railway	4817	567	4911	330
Western Railway	6572	1151	6452	-30
Total	103329	21713	104653	17457

<sup>\*</sup> Figures are provisional

## RoB near Vikhroli Railway Station in Mumbai

148. DR. SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there are plans to construct a Road over Bridge (RoB) across the Central Railway line near Vikhroli railway station in Mumbai; and
  - (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Work for construction of Road Over Bridge in lieu