

(b) The details of Division/Work-shop/Headquarter-wise recruitment made in Southern Railway during the period 2014-19 is as under:—

Division/Workshop/ Headquarter	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Chennai	1562	2069	1336	780	373
Trichy	628	832	537	314	108
Madurai	523	693	447	261	102
Salem	803	1064	687	429	121
Palghat	473	626	404	236	126
Trivendrum	642	850	549	320	136
CW Perambur	348	461	298	174	101
LW Perambur	90	119	77	45	41
Elect. Shop Perambur	4	5	3	2	3
Workshop/Golden Rock	476	630	405	237	106
S&T Podanur	54	72	46	27	22
EWS Arakkonam	0	0	2	2	
Headquarters	171	227	147	56	39
TOTAL	5774	7648	4938	2883	1281

(c) Details of total staff strength, filled and vacant in Thiruvananthapuram and Palakkadu Divisions of Southern Railway is as under:—

Division	Sanctioned Strength	Filled (On-roll)	Vacancies
Thiruvananthapuram	11099	9075	2024
Palakkadu	7908	6349	1559

Note:- During 2017-18, 1,51,843 vacancies and in 2019, 1,42,577 vacancies have been notified for filling up in Indian Railways.

Electrification of railway lines in Kerala

3938. SHRI K. SOMAPRASAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of electrification of railway lines and achievement made so far;

(b) the total length of rail lines on which the work of electrification has been completed and the details of the lines on which electrification work is pending in Kerala; and

(c) the time required and other requirements to complete the total electrification of lines in Kerala?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL): (a) As on 01.04.2019, out of 64,298 Route Kilometres of Broad Gauge network in the country, 35,488 Route Kilometres were electrified.

(b) and (c) As on 01.04.2019, in the State of Kerala out of 1045 Route Kilometres of Broad Gauge network 855 Route Kilometer were electrified.

With Ministry of Railways decision for 100% electrification, all the balance Broad Gauge routes of State of Kerala have been sanctioned and planned for completion by 2021-22.

Electrification of Konkan Railway

†3939. SHRI NARAYAN RANE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any plan has been formulated for electrification of all railway lines in Konkan Railway;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of progress made so far in the said works?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Electrification of Roha-Thokur (740 Route Kilometre) section (Konkan Route) has been sanctioned at a cost of ₹709.39 crore. Various activities like Foundation casting, Mast erection, Grouting in Tunnel and wiring are in progress in different sections.

Entire (100%) Konkan Railway is planned to be electrified during 2020-21.

35% Physical and 32% Financial progress has been made so far.

Development of Konkan Railway

†3940. SHRI NARAYAN RANE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the purpose of establishing Konkan Railway;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.