

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 779
ANSWERED ON 08.12.2023

VACANCIES IN INDIAN RAILWAYS

779. SHRI VIKRAMJIT SINGH SAHNEY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there are more than three lakh vacancies in various grades in railways at present;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, grade-wise, railway zone-wise;
- (c) whether any steps are being taken to fill up these vacancies;
- (d) if so, the details thereof including the timeline by when these vacancies will be filled up and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the details of the recruitments done by Indian railways in last five years?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (e) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 779 BY SHRI VIKRAMJIT SINGH SAHNEY ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 08.12.2023 REGARDING VACANCIES IN INDIAN RAILWAYS

(a) to (e) : Occurrence and filling up of vacancies is a continuous process on Indian Railways considering its size, spatial distribution and criticality of operation. Recruitments are periodically done anticipating vacancies and the needs on the ground considering new services, new technologies, mechanisation and new systems that are being done. The requirement of manpower in different categories also differs based on change in priorities and technology upgradations. Hence, Railways has a dynamic process for identifying vacancies to be filled up and fills up the same in a continual manner. The vacancies are filled up primarily by placement of indents by Railways with Recruitment agencies as per operational requirements. 2, 94,115 vacancies have been filled up in the last five years and up to 30th September 2023.
