GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2680
ANSWERED ON 25.03.2022

JOB CREATION IN INDIAN RAILWAYS

2680. DR. L. HANUMANTHAIAH :
SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of sanctioned and vacant posts in Indian Railways, over last five years, zone-wise, year-wise and category-wise;

(b) whether the number of new jobs created in each zone of Railways decreased in the last five years;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) if not, the details of new jobs added in each zone;

(e) whether Government is aware of the recent protests by young job aspirants for Railway jobs; and

(f) if so, the steps taken by Government to address their concerns?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY OF PARTS (a) TO (f) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2680 BY DR. L. HANUMANTHAIAH AND SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 25.03.2022 REGARDING JOB CREATION IN INDIAN RAILWAYS

(a) : The detail of Sanctioned Strength (SS) and Vacancies (Vac.) in Gazetted Category over last five years, zone-wise is as under:

Zonal Railways	**01.04.2018**		**01.04.2019**		**01.04.2020**		**01.04.2021**		**01.02.2022**	
	SS	Vac.	SS	Vac.	SS	Vac.	SS	Vac.	SS	Vac.
Central	1214	88	1240	95	1145	17	1172	54	1166	104
East Coast	670	88	695	104	683	103	683	74	682	93
East Central	1093	215	1120	188	1062	115	1046	155	1047	179
Eastern	1281	199	1275	194	1184	168	1145	179	1153	195
Metro	112	26	113	21	102	10	114	23	116	24
North Central	863	162	864	185	775	125	783	147	782	126
North Eastern	567	78	560	63	677	61	692	68	702	82
Northeast Frontier	1134	219	1160	216	1016	102	1047	122	1051	141
Northern	1565	280	1421	-8	1617	115	1649	174	1644	169
North Western	747	107	808	157	850	125	849	104	857	113
South Central	1042	136	1109	154	1042	36	1016	62	1061	34
South East Central	576	84	579	101	616	123	573	67	596	99
South Eastern	969	163	973	172	941	98	948	139	937	156
Southern	1223	157	1240	178	1170	113	1147	146	1155	159
South Western	525	35	532	38	589	41	588	51	587	62
West Central	694	77	706	92	659	93	657	54	655	69
Western	1242	214	1262	202	1219	190	1274	184	1263	168
Total	**15517**	**2328**	**15657**	**2152**	**15347**	**1635**	**15383**	**1803**	**15454**	**1973**

The detail of Sanctioned Strength (SS) and Vacancies (Vac.) in Non-Gazetted Category (including Level-1) over last five years, zone-wise is as under:

Zonal Railways	**01.04.2018**		**01.04.2019**		**01.04.2020**		**01.04.2021**		**01.02.2022**	
	SS	Vac.	SS	Vac.	SS	Vac.	SS	Vac.	SS	Vac.
Central	123104	21359	124513	24237	123053	24583	122120	26674	121452	27483
East Coast	54963	8731	55046	9539	56527	9550	56527	8583	56109	8142
East Central	97195	18465	96486	18800	95699	15881	95521	16643	94629	15634
Eastern	129616	19558	129419	22757	130070	25548	130070	26519	130070	28219
Metro	4865	798	4877	896	4985	998	4985	798	4985	878
North Central	81829	16840	83170	20194	82970	19197	82970	18946	82970	17838
North Eastern	62928	13003	62552	14397	62784	14150	62004	14153	61447	14329
Northeast Frontier	75990	16278	72938	15892	74509	15476	73108	15724	72409	15855
Northern	171071	31222	171259	40248	171958	38984	169190	37757	167645	37433
North Western	61188	14402	62174	17274	61508	14660	60743	15232	60438	15018
South Central	97762	16218	97250	18788	95541	14856	95304	15471	95191	16878
South East Central	53455	7477	54725	9544	55372	9499	55026	8744	54873	9434
South Eastern	98792	14279	98944	17491	98788	16835	96915	15736	96762	17208
Southern	103828	15700	102289	19198	102533	19199	100059	17785	99469	20161
South Western	42408	5923	42072	7050	42799	6053	42357	5579	42276	6400
West Central	65411	11105	65142	12258	64540	9284	64540	10291	64349	11111
Western	115519	19052	116074	23721	116487	23453	115646	24800	114366	26351
Total	**1439924**	**250410**	**1438930**	**292284**	**1440123**	**278206**	**1427085**	**279435**	**1419440**	**288372**

(b) to (d): Indian Railways executes a wide range of works for creation, repair and maintenance of its various assets including stations, coaches, wagons, coaching depots, locomotives, tracks, etc. pertaining to various departments namely Mechanical, Commercial, Electrical, Civil Engineering, Signal & Telecommunication, Medical, etc. These works are executed through its own workers and/or through outsourcing (particularly non-core activities/which are not ongoing permanently) through contracting agencies. Outsourcing is done by Railways on need basis from time to time in order to improve the services and efficiency in operation and the number of works being done through outsourcing jobs vary from time to time according to requirement. The number of job avenues to be created through outsourcing also vary from time to time and cannot be quantified as to how many such jobs are going to be created.

The details of Contract Labour engaged as per the Sharamik Kalyan Portal of Indian Railway is as under:

Year	No of Contract Labourers
2018-19	81,186
2019-20	1,68,126
2020-21	1,43,294
2021-22 (Upto December 2021)	1,08,218

(e) & (f) : Yes, Sir. A Committee of officials from Railway Board including Chairpersons of Railway Recruitment Boards (RRBs) & other Railway Officials has been constituted on 26.01.2022 to redress the concerns raised by candidates. The Committee has given its report which has been accepted. A notice containing decisions taken by Committee and schedule for declaring revised result for all Pay Levels & of 2nd Stage Computer Based Test (CBT) for CEN 01/2019 as well as CBT for CEN RRC-01/2019 has been uploaded on official websites of RRBs on 10.03.2022.

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