

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1082
ANSWERED ON 28.07.2023

MEASURES TO PREVENT RAIL ACCIDENTS

1082 # SMT. MAHUA MAJI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is considering to launch any special drive to fill up the safety related vacancies in Railways in view of accidents and loss of lives in the recent past due to safety related lapses in the Railways;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the extent to which rail accidents are likely to reduce after filling up these vacancies?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1082 BY SMT. MAHUA MAJI ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 28.07.2023 REGARDING MEASURES TO PREVENT RAIL ACCIDENTS

(a) to (c): Occurrence and filling up of vacancies are continuous process on Indian Railways considering its size, spatial distribution and criticality of operation. The vacancies are filled up primarily by placement of indents by Railways with Recruitment agencies as per operational requirements. During the process, vacancies may arise and these are filled subsequently.

A massive recruitment exercise has been completed recently for empanelling 1,39,050 candidates by conducting Computer Based Test (CBT) of approximately 2.37 crore candidates.

CBT for Centralized Employment Notification (CEN) 01/2019 for Non-Technical Popular Categories (NTPC) was conducted for 1.26 crore candidates in 133 shifts in 68 days across 211 cities and 726 centres in 15 languages. Similarly, CBT for CEN- RRC 01/2019 (Level 1) was conducted for 1.11 crore candidates in 99 shifts in 33 days across 191 cities and 551 centres in 15 languages.

These processes have added substantially to the safety category manpower on Indian Railways.
