

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.565**  
**ANSWERED ON 29.11.2024**

**OBC LIAISON OFFICER IN INDIAN RAILWAYS**

565 Dr. Anbumani Ramadoss:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware that as per Office Memorandum of Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions dated 06/03/1997, a separate Other Backward Class (OBC) Liaison Officer has to be appointed in Indian Railways to look into matters relating to reservations for OBCs;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the incumbent liaison officer (Indian Railways) belongs to OBC category; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND  
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 565 BY DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 29.11.2024 REGARDING OBC LIAISON OFFICER IN INDIAN RAILWAYS**

(a) to (d): As per the guidelines of Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions (DOP&T) contained in O.M. no. 42011/18/96-Estt. (Res) dated 06.03.1997, a separate Liaison Officer of Senior Administrative Grade, for looking after matters relating to the reservation for the Other Backward Classes has been nominated at the Apex Level i.e. Railway Board's level. Similarly, at the Zonal Railways/Productions Units/Divisional/Workshop, etc. level, separate Officers of appropriate level belonging to OBC community have also been nominated to act as Liaison Officers for looking after matters relating to the reservation for the Other Backward Classes.

All the Officers nominated as Liaison Officers for Other Backward Classes in Indian Railways belong to OBC category.

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