

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4401  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.03.2017**

**SHORTAGE OF PASSENGER COACHES**

**4401. DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

**(a) whether the Government is aware about the shortage of passenger coaches and life expired defective coaches in Railways;**

**(b) if so, the number of shortage of bogies and life expired defective bogies which are still in operation;**

**(c) the reasons for not replacing these defective bogies;**

**(d) whether the Government is planning to set up new coach factory for manufacturing of passenger coaches to fill up the shortage; and**

**(e) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)**

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4401 BY DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 29.03.2017 REGARDING SHORTAGE OF PASSENGER COACHES**

**(a) No, Madam. Systems have been put in place on Indian Railways in order to ensure that life expired defective passenger coaches are not allowed in train service. The replacement of coaches on age-cum-condition basis is a continual process.**

**Presently, adequate numbers of coaches are available with Zonal Railways for running passenger carrying trains to their scheduled compositions.**

**(b) & (c) Do not arise.**

**(d) & (e) Three new Coach manufacturing factories are sanctioned to manufacture 1180 coaches per year;**

<b>Type of factory</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
<b>Rail Coach Factory</b>	<b>Palakkad, Kerala</b>	<b>The work is yet to start.</b>
<b>Rail Coach Factory</b>	<b>Kolar, Karnataka</b>	<b>The work is yet to start.</b>
<b>DMU Factory, Haldia, Phase-II</b>	<b>Haldia, West Bengal</b>	<b>The work is yet to start.</b>

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