

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 965
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.02.2017**

VACANT POSTS IN RAILWAYS

965. SHRI M.B. RAJESH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether huge number of posts are lying vacant in the Railways and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether this huge vacancy backlog has had severe impact on rail safety issues; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the details of job vacancies in Southern Railway?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(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. 965 BY SHRI M.B. RAJESH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 08.02.2017 REGARDING VACANT POSTS IN RAILWAYS

(a) The vacancy position on Zonal Railways in Group 'C' and erstwhile Group 'D' as on 01.04.2016 (Provisional) is as under:

Railway	Vacancy
Central	21578
East Coast	6997
East Central	16682
Eastern	22066
Metro	801
North Central	13569
North Eastern	11144
Northeast Frontier	10217
Northern	25395
North Western	11475
South Central	12814
South East Central	6478
South Eastern	16235
Southern	10233
South Western	5047
West Central	11434
Western	15204
Total	217369

(b) No, Madam. Safety in train operations is ensured through appropriate manpower planning and its utilization.

(c) There are 10233 vacancies in Southern Railway in Group 'C' and erstwhile Group 'D' as on 01.04.2016 (Provisional).
