

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2887
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2017**

ABOLITION OF POSTS

**+ 2887. KUNWAR BHARATENDRA :
SHRI DEVJI M.PATEL :**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a shortage of employees' in the Railways as against the sanctioned strength at present and whether it is proposed to abolish about 10000 posts in case the posts remain vacant;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the process of abolishing more than 10000 posts in the Railways is going on throughout the country and if so, the names of the posts which are proposed to be abolished, zone-wise;**
- (d) whether the Railways is working towards reducing the opportunities of employment by abolishing these posts; and**
- (e) if so, whether the Railways is formulating a plan to provide other opportunities of employment and 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.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2887 BY KUNWAR BHARATENDRA AND SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 02.08.2017 REGARDING ABOLITION OF POSTS

(a) & (b) The vacancies of non gazetted staff against sanctioned strength on Zonal Railways in Group 'C' and erstwhile Group 'D' as on 01.04.2017 were 2,20,137 (Provisional). Filling up of vacancies is a continuous process through various modes of intake. The policy of the Railway administration is to fill up the vacancies as per the laid down procedure through Railway Recruitment Boards (RRBs) and Railway Recruitment Cells (RRCs). There is always a time-lag between occurrence of vacancies and processing the same for filling up, which involves notification of vacancies, holding examinations, finalizing of select panels and issue of appointment letters. However, manpower planning requires continuous review of sanction strength in view of ever changing technology, working systems and creation of new assets and introduction of new trains.

(c) & (d) No, Madam.

(e) Does not arise.
