

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6116
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.04.2018**

REDUCTION IN RAILWAY EMPLOYEES

†6116. SHRI LAXMAN GILUWA :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether a lot of expansion of railway has taken place in the last ten years but the number of railway employees and labourers has reduced from 17 lakhs to 13 lakhs due to which the operation of Railways is getting adversely affected;**
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and**
- (c) the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (c) The employee strength on Zonal Railways was approximately 12.8 lakhs over a decade ago and presently it is approximately 12.46 lakhs. With the existing manpower, Railway is ensuring that its day to day functions are not adversely affected. Manpower planning requires continuous review of sanctioned strength and filling up of vacancies on a continuous basis and all efforts are undertaken to meet its present and future manpower requirement.