

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 721  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2018**

**INVESTMENT FOR SAFETY**

**721. DR. K. GOPAL:**

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

- (a) whether it is true that investment for safety has increased by over 60 percent during the last three years;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether it is also true that the average vacancy in safety positions, against the sanctioned strength, has dropped to 16.86% in 2017; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

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

**( SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN )**

**(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. 721 BY DR. K. GOPAL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.02.2018 REGARDING INVESTMENT FOR SAFETY**

**(a) & (b) : Yes, Madam. The details of the funds allocation/ expenditure during last three years on safety related activities are given below:**

<b>2014-15 (₹ in crore)</b>	<b>2015-16 (₹ in crore)</b>	<b>2016-17 (₹ in crore)</b>	<b>2017-18 (₹ in crore)</b>
<b>42304</b>	<b>45516</b>	<b>55918</b>	<b>68725</b>
<b>Increase over 2014-15</b>			<b>62.5%</b>

**(c) & (d) : Yes, Madam. The details of staff strength and vacancy position of safety categories over all Zonal Railways are as under :**

<b>As on</b>	<b>Sanctioned Strength</b>	<b>Vacancies</b>	<b>% of Vacancies</b>
<b>01.04.2014</b>	<b>727582</b>	<b>129152</b>	<b>17.75</b>
<b>01.04.2015</b>	<b>737273</b>	<b>124201</b>	<b>16.85</b>
<b>01.04.2016</b>	<b>746676</b>	<b>122763</b>	<b>16.44</b>
<b>01.04.2017</b>	<b>764882</b>	<b>128942</b>	<b>16.86</b>

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