

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.201
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.12.2018**

MULTI-PURPOSE STALL POLICY

***201. SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:
SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI PATIL:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Multi-purpose Stall Policy (MPS) has been framed and issued to the Zonal Railways;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether it is also a fact that a number of existing bookstalls have recently been converted into multi-purpose stalls across the country including Mathura Junction under North Central railway and if so, the details thereof, Division and Zone-wise;**
- (d) the details of stations where existing bookstalls can be converted into multi-purpose stalls, Division and Zone-wise; and**
- (e) the details of terms and conditions laid down for converting a bookstall into multi-purpose stall?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COAL

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE STARRED QUESTION NO.201 BY SHRI ARVIND SAWANT AND SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI PATIL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 26.12.2018 REGARDING MULTI-PURPOSE STALL POLICY

(a) & (b) : Yes, Madam. A new policy on Multi Purpose Stalls (MPS) was issued on 05.09.2017, the salient features of which are;

- All Miscellaneous/curio stalls, bookstalls (other than philanthropic), chemist stalls/corners to come under MPS.**
- All miscellaneous items that are essential and incidental to the travelling needs including artefacts & items of local and regional importance, Packed items as per the extant procedure of Zonal Railway, Packaged Drinking Water, books/magazines /newspapers, Railway Time Tables, chemist stall items- Over The Counter (OTC) medicines and non-pharmacy items viz. dry/spray milk powder etc. are to be permitted for sale from Multi Purpose Stalls.**
- A blueprint of the total requirement of the MPS, platform/station wise for the whole Division, number of persons to be deployed on each MPS, etc. to be decided by DRMs with the approval of CCMs of their respective Zonal Railway.**
- Retailers/Individuals/Self Help Groups (SHGs)/ registered sole proprietorship firm or a partnership firm/Company incorporated under Partnership Act 1932/Companies Act 1956 to be eligible for allotment of MPS. In addition, Aadhar Card, Government approved ID proof and residence proof such as PAN/Voter ID to ensure genuineness of the bidder and VAT registration, etc is required.**

- **Allotment of MPS at all stations is to be done by e-tendering method. Till the finalization of e-tendering module, normal tendering process is to be followed.**
- **Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) to be fixed as 10% of the Minimum Reserve Price. Security Deposit shall be fixed as 10% of the quoted license fee.**
- **Allotment of all MPS to be made for a period of only 5 years. There shall be no extension and renewal of the MPS units.**
- **Minimum Licence Fee is to be fixed as minimum 12 % of annual sales turnover calculated on the basis of Senior Administrative Grade (SAG) formula which takes into account various parameters.**
- **Zonal Railways to fix the area/space along with standardized design for MPS prior to notification for allotment, taking into consideration the number of trains and passengers, width of platform, location of the unit on platform and availability of space to avoid inconvenience to passengers.**
- **Reservation in allotment of MPS to be given to Scheduled Case, Scheduled tribes, Other Backward Classes, Minorities, Divyang, Freedom Fighters/war widows and widows of railway employees, persons who have been dislocated/ displaced due to their land having been taken over by the railways for its own use and People Below Poverty Line. There is provision of Sub-quota in both reserved and unreserved categories. Provision of 33% sub quota for women in allotment of each of the reserved category and general category of MPS at all category of stations.**

- **No firm/Company/Individual/Retailer is allowed to hold more than five MPS per Division. However, a firm/Company/Individual can hold a maximum of 10 Multi Purpose Stalls over each Zonal Railway.**
- **Applicability of the policy on the existing stalls:- No new allotment, renewal, extension of the Bookstall/table (other than philanthropic), Misc. Stalls/trolley, Chemist Stalls/corner etc. shall be done by the railways. All such existing stalls/trolley etc. to be allowed for conversion into MPS subject to payment of license fee fixed as per new MPS policy. Tenure of such units will be for a period of 5 years from the date of conversion. In case they do not opt for conversion into MPS, the same to be allowed to continue till expiry of the existing agreement/arrangement in vogue.**
- **After expiry of the current agreement period, space shall be standardized, identified and allotted by Zonal Railways for new MPS as per the extant procedure.**

(c) & (d): Yes, Madam. As per information collected, 156 number of bookstalls have been converted into Multi Purpose Stalls over Indian Railways, including one at Mathura Junction of North Central Railway, details of which are Appended. As per current MPS Policy Para 11, all existing Book Stalls (except Philanthropic) at stations have option to convert to Multi Purpose Stalls.

(e): As per the new Multi Purpose Stall Policy(MPS) effective from 05.09.2017, (i) no new allotment, renewal, extension of the Book Stall (other than Philanthropic) shall be permitted. (ii) All such existing Book Stalls shall be allowed for conversion into Multi Purpose Stalls as per the provisions of the Multi Purpose Stall Policy. (iii) In case of not opting for

conversion of existing Book Stall into Multi Purpose Stall the same may be allowed to continue till expiry of the existing agreement/arrangement in vogue. (iv) After expiry of the current agreement period, space shall be standardized, identified and allotted by Zonal Railways for new Multi Purpose Stall as per the extant procedure. (v) The existing Bookstalls (other than philanthropic) shall be given an option to convert to Multi Purpose Stalls subject to payment of Licence Fee for a period of 5 years.

APPENDIX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (c) AND (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 201 BY SHRI ARVIND SAWANT AND SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI PATIL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 26.12.2018 REGARDING MULTI-PURPOSE STALL POLICY

(c) & (d): Zonal Railway wise Status of Multi Purpose Stall (MPS) Conversion

As on 31.10.2018

Zonal Railway	Type of Units	No. of existing Units	No. of existing units whose Licensees have opted for conversion into MPS	No. of units Converted into MPS
Central	Book Stalls/ Trolleys/Table etc.	138	30	5
	Book Stall cum Chemist Corners	0	0	0
	Misc/Curio Stall/ Trolleys/ Table etc.	47	17	11
	Exclusive Chemist stalls/Corners	1	1	1
East Central	Book Stalls/ Trolleys/Table etc.	143	120	18
	Book Stall cum Chemist Corners	0	0	0
	Misc/Curio Stall/ Trolleys/ Table etc.	28	25	6
	Exclusive Chemist stalls/Corners	0	0	0
East Coast	Book Stalls/ Trolleys/Table etc.	52	10	0
	Book Stall cum Chemist Corners	0	0	0
	Misc/Curio Stall/ Trolleys/ Table etc.	3	3	3
	Exclusive Chemist stalls/Corners	3	1	1

Eastern	Book Stalls/ Trolleys/Table etc.	93	31	19
	Book Stall cum Chemist Corners	0	0	0
	Misc/Curio Stall/ Trolleys/ Table etc.	30	0	0
	Exclusive Chemist stalls/Corners	2	1	1
North Central	Book Stalls/ Trolleys/Table etc.	84	14	4
	Book Stall cum Chemist Corners	0	0	0
	Misc/Curio Stall/ Trolleys/ Table etc.	5	5	4
	Exclusive Chemist stalls/Corners	0	0	0
North Eastern	Book Stalls/ Trolleys/Table etc.	105	9	0
	Book Stall cum Chemist Corners	0	0	0
	Misc/Curio Stall/ Trolleys/ Table etc.	21	20	19
	Exclusive Chemist stalls/Corners	0	0	0
Northeast Frontier #	Book Stalls/ Trolleys/Table etc.	42	13	0
	Book Stall cum Chemist Corners	1	0	0
	Misc/Curio Stall/ Trolleys/ Table etc.	10	0	0
	Exclusive Chemist stalls/Corners	1	0	0
Northern #	Book Stalls/ Trolleys/Table etc.	142	31	22
	Book Stall cum Chemist Corners	13	2	0
	Misc/Curio Stall/ Trolleys/ Table etc.	70	26	26
	Exclusive Chemist stalls/Corners	1	1	1

North Western	Book Stalls/ Trolleys/Table etc.	45	35	5
	Book Stall cum chemist corners	0	0	0
	Misc/Curio Stall/ Trolleys/ Table etc.	0	0	0
	Exclusive Chemist stalls/Corners	1	1	1
South Central	Book Stalls/ Trolleys/Table etc.	103	14	3
	Book Stall cum Chemist Corners	0	0	0
	Misc/Curio Stall/ Trolleys/ Table etc.	9	8	7
	Exclusive Chemist stalls/Corners	2	0	1
South East Central	Book Stalls/ Trolleys/Table etc.	30	30	30
	Book Stall cum Chemist Corners	0	0	0
	Misc/Curio Stall/ Trolleys/ Table etc.	0	0	0
	Exclusive Chemist stalls/Corners	2	2	2
South Eastern	Book Stalls/ Trolleys/Table etc.	43	43	0
	Book Stall cum Chemist Corners	0	0	0
	Misc/Curio Stall/ Trolleys/ Table etc.	16	16	0
	Exclusive Chemist stalls/Corners	0	0	0
Southern	Book Stalls/ Trolleys/Table etc.	33	19	19
	Book Stall cum Chemist Corners	0	0	0
	Misc/Curio Stall/ Trolleys/ Table etc.	40	24	24
	Exclusive Chemist stalls/Corners	0	0	0

South Western	Book Stalls/ Trolleys/Table etc.	19	9	9
	Book Stall cum Chemist Corners	1	1	1
	Misc/Curio Stall/ Trolleys/ Table etc.	44	40	40
	Exclusive Chemist stalls/Corners	0	0	0
West Central	Book Stalls/ Trolleys/Table etc.	58	57	17
	Book Stall cum Chemist Corners	0	0	0
	Misc/Curio Stall/ Trolleys/ Table etc.	19	17	8
	Exclusive Chemist stalls/Corners	0	0	0
Western	Book Stalls/ Trolleys/Table etc.	125	14	4
	Book stall cum chemist corners	0	0	0
	Misc/Curio Stall/ Trolleys/ Table etc.	5	2	1
	Exclusive Chemist stalls/Corners	7	7	2
Total	Book Stalls/ Trolleys/Table etc.	1255	479	155
	Book stall cum chemist corners	15	3	1
	Misc/Curio Stall/ Trolleys/ Table etc.	347	203	149
	Exclusive Chemist stalls/Corners	20	14	10
Grand Total*		1637	699	315

*** CR (2 Trolley of Book Stalls at Belapur in Solapur Division and 30 Trolleys of Misc/Curio Stalls at Wadi -2, Gulbarga - 2, Solapur -3, Daund-2 in Solapur Division and Manmad-6, Bhusaval-6, Akola-3 and Khandwa -6 in Bhusaval Division) NR (3 Trolley of Book Stalls at Firozpur Cantt-1, Jalandhar City -1 and Ludhiana -1 in Firozpur Division and 5 Trolleys of Misc/Curio Stalls at Moradabad in Moradabad Division) have been converted into MPS besides above conversion.**

Updated Information from NR and NFR are still awaited.

