

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1901
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.07.2019
SPECIAL RECRUITMENT DRIVE**

†1901. SHRI AJAY NISHAD:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of posts of all cadres/categories including Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes category lying vacant in railways across the country, zone-wise along with the reasons therefor;

(b) the number of posts of all cadres/categories including Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes category which have been filled during the last three years and the current year;

(c) whether the Government proposes to launch any special recruitment drive for filling these vacant posts;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the said drive is likely to be launched; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(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 UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1901 BY SHRI AJAY NISHAD TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 03.07.2019 REGARDING SPECIAL RECRUITMENT DRIVE.

(a): The vacancy position of staff on Indian Railways, including Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes, is as under:

Zonal Railways	Non- Gazetted (as on 01.06.2019)	Gazetted (01.09.2018)
Central	25103	100
East Coast	9582	72
East Central	18595	200
Eastern	23961	195
Metro	925	19
North Central	20505	173
North Eastern	14329	103
Northeast Frontier	15740	244
Northern	40611	280
North Western	17655	158
South Central	18762	142
South East Central	9641	95
South Eastern	17738	180
Southern	20562	209
South Western	7354	60
West Central	12524	117
Western	24987	271
Total	298574	2618

Occurrence and filling up of vacancies is a continuous process and vacancies are filled by placement of indents with recruitment agencies as per operational requirements.

(b) : The number of candidates empanelled for various Posts on Indian Railways, including Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes, during the last 03 years is 84,534 and in current year is 18,268 (provisional). Union Public Service Commission (UPSC), Railway Recruitment Boards (RRBs) and Railway Recruitment Cells (RRCs) are regularly providing panels of successful candidates to Railways.

(c) to (e): Recruitment process in Railways is being done regularly through authorized recruiting agencies namely Union Public Service Commission (UPSC), Railway Recruitment Boards (RRBs) and Railway Recruitment Cells (RRCs). The shortfall or backlog vacancies of SCs, STs & OBCs left unfilled are taken care of in current recruitment programme and subsequent recruitment cycles. As such special recruitment drive is not proposed.
