

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1625
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2023**

RECRUITMENT ON REGIONAL BASIS

†1625. SHRI NABA KUMAR SARANIA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the recruitment in the Railways is done on regional basis;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the details of the total number of youth who have been provided jobs by the Railways during the last three years; and**
- (d) the details of the number of employees belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes in Railways ?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1625 BY SHRI NABA KUMAR SARANIA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 13.12.2023 REGARDING RECRUITMENT ON REGIONAL BASIS

(a) to (c) Railways, being a Central Government entity conducts recruitment on all India basis, where all candidates fulfilling the eligibility criteria are invited to apply irrespective of region.

Two major examinations involving more than 2.37 crore candidates have been conducted recently. 1st stage Computer Based Test for Centralized Employment Notice (CEN) 01/2019 Non Technical Popular Categories (NTPC) for more than 1.26 crore candidates was conducted in 7 phases from 28.12.2020 to 31.07.2021 in 133 shifts in 68 days across 211 cities and 726 centers in 15 languages. Similarly CBT for CEN RRC 01/2019 (Level -1) was conducted for more than 1.11 crore candidates in 5 phases from 17.08.2022 to 11.10.2022 in 99 shifts in 33 days across 191 cities and 551 centers in 15 languages.

In the period from 2014 to 30.09.2023, 4,89,696 number of candidates have been recruited by the Railway Recruitment Agencies, against various group C posts (including Level-1 and Security related posts). During last three years (from 2020-2021 to 2022-2023) and upto 30.09.2023 this year, 150500(provisional) candidates have been recruited against various group C posts (including level-1 and Security related posts).

(d) Details of the number of employees belonging to SC/ST/OBCs in Indian Railways are as follows:-

Period	Number of SCs	Number of STs	Number of OBCs
2022-23*	200503	92757	288969

***As on 31.03.2023**
