

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 602
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.12.2023**

EXAMINATION CONDUCTED BY RRB

**† 602. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:
SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Railway Recruitment Boards (RRBs) functioning in the country;**
- (b) the zone-wise vacant posts at present in the Railways;**
- (c) the year-wise number of the examinations conducted by the RRBs during each of the last five years;**
- (d) the number of selected and recruited candidates during the said years;**
- (e) whether the RRB has conducted any examination for the non-technical grades and if so, the details thereof;**
- (f) whether the candidates appearing in the examinations have expressed any concerns after the declaration of the results;**
- (g) if so, whether the Government has constituted any committee for addressing the issues raised by the candidates and if so, the details thereof;**
- (h) if not, the time by which the issues raised by the candidates are likely to be resolved and the examination likely to be conducted; and**
- (i) the likely time by which posting is likely to be given to the candidates?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (i) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 602 BY SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR AND SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 06.12.2023 REGARDING EXAMINATION CONDUCTED BY RRB

(a) to (d): At present there are 21 Railway Recruitment Boards (RRBs) located all over the country. Occurrence and filling up of vacancies are continuous process on Indian Railways considering its size, spatial distribution and criticality of operation. The vacancies are filled up primarily by placement of indents by Railways with Recruitment agencies as per operational requirements. Two major examinations involving more than 2.37 crore candidates have been conducted recently for filling up 1.39 lakh vacancies. 1st Stage Computer Based Test for CEN 01/2019 (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. During the period from 2018-2019 to 2022-2023 and current year (i.e. 2023-2024 upto 30.09.2023), 284060 (Provisional) candidates have been empanelled against various Group 'C' posts (including Level 1). Seven Centralized Employment Notifications (CENs) have been issued by RRBs during last five years for which recruitment process has already been completed.

(e) to (i): The final result of Non Technical Popular Categories (NTPC)- Graduate & Under Graduate level has been declared without any major concern. Process of empanelment has already been completed by Railway Recruitment Boards. Offer of appointments are given by Zonal Railways / Production Units to all the empanelled candidates subject to candidates satisfying all eligibility criteria, including character and antecedents.
