

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 574
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.11.2019**

RAIL NEER

†574. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether 75 per cent of the business of bottled drinking water has been captured by the private players as against the mere 25 per cent supply of Rail Neer in the Railways;**
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;**
- (c) the total number of private companies and the brands authorised to sell water in the Indian Railways and the stations, the zone-wise details thereof;**
- (d) whether bottled drinking water of unauthorised brands is being sold by the vendors and stalls at railway stations;**
- (e) if so, the action taken by the Railways against them;**
- (f) the total number of Rail Neer plants in the country and the production capacity thereof; and**
- (g) the total number of new plants proposed to be set up to meet the demand and the reasons for the delay being caused in setting up of these plants?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

- (a) & (b): No, Sir. At present, around 50 per cent supply of Packaged Drinking Water (PDW) over Indian Railways is met through Rail Neer**

packaged drinking water bottles presently manufactured from existing 11 Rail Neer plants. This is likely to increase with the commissioning of new Rail Neer plants.

(c): Zone-wise list of total number of private companies and the brands authorised to sell water over Indian Railways is appended at Appendix-I.

(d)&(e): No, Sir. Bottled drinking water of only approved brands is permitted for sale on Indian Railways. In case any instance of selling of drinking water bottles of unauthorised brand is reported or noticed, strict action is taken.

(f) At present, there are 11 Rail Neer plants over Indian Railways with an average production capacity of 11.64 lakh litres of Rail Neer per day.

(g) The details of proposed new Rail Neer plants are appended at Appendix-II.

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APPENDIX-I REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 574 BY SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL AND SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 20.11.2019 REGARDING RAIL NEER

(c): Zone-wise list of total number of private companies and the brands authorised to sell water over Indian Railways is as follows:-

Zonal Railway	Number of Companies and Brands approved by Zonal Railways to sell water				
	No.	Brands			
Central	4	Gallons	Aqua Fina	Oxymore Aquq	Health Plus
East Central	9	Kingfisher	Bailley	Nesty	King Royale
		Kinley, Bonaqua	Adas Aqua Plus	Jeevandhara	Dabh Aqua
		K S Valley			
East Coast	4	Bisleri	Aquafina	Bailley	Kinley
Eastern	8	Bailley	Amust	Aqua Diamond	Bizaree
		Bisleri	Jalsutra	Bizaree	Prixpert
North Central	8	Oxymore Aqua	Parle Agro Bailley	Jovial	Mania
		Health Plus	Pump-Up-Aqua	King Royale	Gallons
North Eastern	0	NIL			
Northeast Frontier	17	Hydros	Wonderla	Aqua Campa	Soft Rain
		Blueberry	Drops	Dew Drop	Jeevan Jal
		Ganapati Aqua	Bisleri	Aquazoom	Swach Pani
		Magnum Aqua	Shree Amrit	Dabh Aqua	Bailley
		Aqua Gold			
Northern	13	Aquafina	Bailley	Health Plus	King Royale
		Kingfisher	Kinley & Bon Aqua	Bibo	Pavan Aqua
		XALTA	Mania	Aglow	Mount Kailash
		Spirits			
North Western	8	Gallons	Oxymore	Yash	Omex
		King Royale	Health Plus	Himaqua	Bisleri
South Central	6	Bisleri	Aquafina	Bibo	Oxyrich
		Kinley	Bailey		
Southeast Central	0	NIL			
South Eastern	6	Kinley	Bailley	Bibo	Aquafina
		Oxyrich	Bisleri		

Zonal Railway	Number of Companies and Brands approved by Zonal Railways to sell water				
	No.	Brands			
Southern	4	Green Valley	VVM Aqua	Diet Aqua	Milka Aqua Drops
South Western	7	Flair	Aqua Sure	Venice Blue	Bailley
		Golden Goa	Kingfisher	Samrudhi Neeru	
West Central	6	Health Plus	Coldish	Oxyrich	Elvish
		Oxymore Aqua	Omex		
Western	5	X-LLIANT	Kinley and Bonaqua	Aquafina	Can..i Aqua
		Gallons			

APPENDIX-II REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (g) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 574 BY SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL AND SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 20.11.2019 REGARDING RAIL NEER

(g): The details of proposed new Rail Neer plants are as follows:-

S. No.	Name of location	Name of State	Present Status
1	Sankrail	West Bengal	Under final stage of commissioning
2	Jagi Road	Assam	
3	Jabalpur	Madhya Pradesh	
4	Bhusawal	Maharashtra	Under construction
5	Una	Himachal Pradesh	
6	Vijayawada	Andhra Pradesh	
7	NTPC Simadri	Andhra Pradesh	Under tendering
8	Bhubaneswar	Odisha	
9	Ranchi	Jharkhand	
