

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2728
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.08.2021**

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

**†2728. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:
SHRIMATI MALA RAJYA LAXMI SHAH:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made a comprehensive project for increasing the dividend without compromising on the facilities being provided to the railway passengers;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Railways has set target to create new employment opportunities and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) the State-wise details of new employment opportunities created by the Railways in private sector during the last five years including Bundelkhand and Uttarakhand?**

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.2728 BY SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL AND SHRIMATI MALA RAJYA LAXMI SHAH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 04.08.2021 REGARDING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES.

(a) & (b) : There is no dividend liability of Railways towards General Exchequer consequent upon merger of Railway Budget with General Budget with effect from 2017-18. The Ministry has been taking measures on a continuing basis to improve the revenue receipts with a combination of initiatives such as targeting progressively higher traffic throughput, expansion/diversification of commodity basket, effective and innovative marketing strategies to capture more and more traffic, creation of additional capacity and optimum utilization of the existing rail infrastructure including rolling stock, enhancement in productivity and efficiency, improvement of passenger interface, periodic rationalization of fare and freight rates and focus on increasing the share of non-fare revenue sources in Railways' total revenue. Alongside, there is a continuous upgradation in facilities provided to the railway passengers aimed at enhancing ease of travelling and passenger experience.

(c) Creation of employment opportunities by Railways is a continuous process in consonance with requirement of manpower. Recruitment process for two Centralized Employment Notification (CENs) for filling up of 36,944 Group-C vacancies released by Railway Recruitment Boards (RRBs) has been initiated. Further recruitment has also been notified for filling up of 1,03,769 vacancies for Level-1 (erstwhile Group 'D' post).

(d) Activities in Railways help to create employment opportunities in private sector both directly and indirectly.
