

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1661  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.12.2025**

**DATA REGARDING PASSENGER  
VOLUMES/REVENUES/OCCUPANCY/FREIGHT PERFORMANCE**

**1661. SHRI VISHWESHWAR HEGDE KAGERI:**

**SMT. SMITA UDAY WAGH:**

**SHRI ALOK SHARMA:**

**SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:**

**SHRI JANARDAN MISHRA:**

**SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY:**

**DR. HEMANG JOSHI:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the manner in which the Government currently maintains data on passenger volumes, revenue generation, occupancy levels and freight performance—including freight volumes, freight rates, wagon turnaround time—indicating the periodicity, accuracy standards and level of granularity of such datasets;**
- (b) the details of the standardised methodology adopted for recording project-wise capital expenditure, including sanctioned cost, revised cost, actual yearly expenditure, physical progress, execution timelines, and details of cost overruns across railway projects;**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to make datasets on passenger performance, freight performance and project-wise capital expenditure for the last ten financial years publicly accessible in a machine-readable format along with complete data scheme and metadata;**

- (d) if so, the timeline and platform proposed for enabling such public access; and**
- (e) if not, the reasons for withholding such datasets and whether any policy constraints or confidentiality considerations prevent their disclosure?**

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**ANSWER**

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

**(a) to (e): Ministry of Railways maintains data on different facets of Indian Railways working, broadly having Financial, Operating, Commercial, Assets utilization, Accidents and Administrative statistics. Data is collected from all the 17 Zonal Railways and is centrally compiled in accordance with Manual of Statistical Instructions. To maintain accuracy standard of the data, these datasets are cross-checked and verified at various levels.**

**It has always been an endeavour of this Ministry to ensure that all data relating to the Railways working and performance is readily available for information to the general public and stakeholders. For this purpose, Annual Statistical Statement alongwith other Statistical publications containing data, facts & figures is being uploaded every year on the Ministry of Railways' website since Financial Year 2005-06.**

**The project wise details are maintained as per codal provisions of Indian Railways Code for the Engineering Department and Indian Railway Finance Code alongwith respective Manuals.**

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