

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARED QUESTION NO. 5  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.02.2016**

**FINANCIAL CRISIS IN RAILWAYS**

**5. ADV. JOICE GEORGE:  
SHRI SADASHIV LOKHANDE:**

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

- (a) whether the Railways is facing chronic financial crisis now and if so, the reason therefor;**
- (b) whether the annual rate of increase in cost has overtaken that of revenue during last few years and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Railways is also facing low level employee productivity and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) whether the late running of trains, lack of passenger facilities and security arrangements are common and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)**

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5 BY ADV. JOICE GEORGE AND SHRI SADASHIV LOKHANDE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 24.02.2016 REGARDING FINANCIAL CRISIS IN RAILWAYS**

**(a) : No, Madam. Railways generate 'Excess' after meeting all their expenses including dividend payment from their own revenues which supplement Railways' plan expenditure. However, Railways need much higher level of funds for completing the huge shelf of works relating to modernisation and expansion of Railway network on a continuing basis.**

**(b) : The rate of increase in revenue (i.e total receipts) and that of cost (i.e total expenditure including payment of dividend) for the last few years and current year's Revised Estimates is given below:**

<b>Items</b>	<b>2011-12</b>	<b>2012-13</b>	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>Revised Estimates 2015-16</b>
<b>Growth(%) in Total receipts over previous year</b>	<b>9.9%</b>	<b>18.8%</b>	<b>13.5%</b>	<b>12.4%</b>	<b>6.7%</b>
<b>Growth(%) in Total expenditure over previous year</b>	<b>10.3%</b>	<b>12.2%</b>	<b>18.3%</b>	<b>10.0%</b>	<b>4.6%</b>

**(c) : No, Madam. The productivity of Railway employees measured in terms of Net Tonne Kilometers (NTKMs) and Passenger Kilometers (PKMs) per employee has shown continuous improvement over the years from 1.10 in 2009-10 to 1.32 in 2013-14.**

**(d) : No, Madam. Late running of trains, lack of passenger facilities and security arrangements are not common. Punctuality of trains are regularly monitored at all levels including zonal and divisional levels. Trains may run late due to railway related reasons as well as factors outside the purview of railway working. Remedial action is regularly taken to tackle punctuality losses by giving proper attention to infrastructure and monitoring the running of passenger carriages. Passenger amenities are provided as per norms based on the category of station. Improvement in passenger amenities is an ongoing process.**

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