

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1672  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.05.2016**

**DIPLOMA/DEGREE HOLDERS FROM DLM**

**†1672. SHRI JASVANTSINH SUMANBHAI BHABHOR:**

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

- (a) whether degree/diploma holders from DLM have been declared ineligible for being engaged/appointed in the Railways;**
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and**
- (c) whether degree/diploma holders from DLM have been declared ineligible during the last three years for filling up of vacancies under 25 per cent quota for serving employees of Railways and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)**

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1672 BY SHRI JASVANTSINH SUMANBHAI BHABHOR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 04.05.2016 REGARDING DIPLOMA/DEGREE HOLDERS FROM DLM**

**(a) & (c): Diploma/Degree in Engineering obtained through distance learning mode is not acceptable for the purpose of employment on the Railways. Post Graduate/Under Graduate Degree obtained by candidates/serving employees for employment/promotion through Open Universities (non-formal/distance education) in the faculty of Arts, Humanities, Fine Arts, Music, Social Science, Commerce and Science can be accepted subject to fulfillment of following conditions:-**

- (i) No student is eligible for admission to the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Course through non-formal/distance education unless he/she has successfully completed 12 years schooling through an examination conducted by a Board/University. In case there is no previous academic record, he/she is eligible for admission if he/she has passed an entrance test conducted by the University provided that he/she is not below the age of 18 years on 1<sup>st</sup> July of the year of admission.**
- (ii) No student is eligible for the award of the first degree unless he/she has successfully completed three year course; this degree may be called the B.A/B.Sc/B.Com. (General/Honours/Special) degree as the case may be.**

**(b): The same is being reviewed in line with the latest guidelines of the nodal Ministry.**