



अध्यक्ष एवं मुख्य कार्यकारी अधिकारी,  
रेलवे बोर्ड  
पदेन प्रमुख सचिव, भारत सरकार  
रेल मंत्रालय,

**CHAIRMAN & CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER,  
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EX OFFICIO PRINCIPAL SECRETARY  
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**DO. No. E(MPP)2024/1/26**

**11<sup>th</sup> September, 2024**

*Dear Dr. Garil,*

**Sub: Creation of posts for new assets.**

As per the existing instruction of Department of Expenditure (DoE), Ministry of Finance, creation of posts (except crew review in Railways) requires the approval of Department of Expenditure.

2. Railways has over the last few years witnessed a significant increase in capital expenditure from rupees 1.48 lakh crores in 2019-20 to 2.62 lakh crores in 2023-24. This capital expenditure is resulting in significant increase in assets for which adequate manpower is required for Reliable and Safe Train Operation. These assets will further increase in coming years considering Railways target of Mission 3000 MT from current level of 1610 MT in 2013-24, and this 3000 MT is to be achieved by 2030. For achieving this objective, more trains will have to be run which requires increased manpower for both train running & infrastructure maintenance. For better appreciation summary of new assets created in Indian Railways in past 5 years is attached.

3. Creation of new assets and addition/ construction of new lines in Railways mandates all parameters especially safety related parameters to be met for clearance by Commissioner of Railway Safety for safe training of trains. It may also be appreciated that due to safety requirement, the outsourcing of these activities is not considered feasible e.g. maintenance/manning tracks, bridges etc., maintenance of Locos, Coaches and Wagon, Signaling Maintenance etc.

4. As such, for effective monitoring and execution of different projects, maintenance of new assets and smooth and safe operation of trains, there is urgent requirement of additional manpower in Indian Railways. This requires creation of non-gazetted posts from time to time as per requirement.

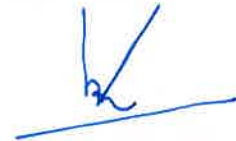
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5. In view of above it is high time that Ministry of Railways may therefore be delegated powers to create non-gazetted posts in safety and essential categories for **new assets** against equivalent matching value from vacancy bank on 1:1 basis and wherever equivalent money value on 1:1 basis is not available, then creation should be permitted without any matching surrender.

*With best wishes.*

**DA: As above**

Yours sincerely,



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## ANNEXURE -1

## Summary of Assets created in IR in last 5 years

## Department - Signal

S.No.	Item	Unit	As on 31-03-2019	As on 31-03-2024	% Increase
1	I Points	Nos.	77950	109226	40%
2	Signals	Nos.	118183	1512116	28%
3	Track circuits	Nos.	61365	226667	269%
4	P1/EURR	Nos.	5886	6375	12%
5	Automatic Signalling	RKMS	3039	4431	46%
6	IBS	Nos.	574	756	32%
7	BPAC	Nos.	5363	6058	13%
8	Kavach	RKM	250	1465	486%

- In Signalling, Safety, Capacity, enhancement and signaling modernization works such as Automatic Block Signalling, Kavach, Intermediate Block Signal, Level Crossing Gates Interlocking with Signals, LTE, IP-MPLS etc., are also undergoing in the existing railway network.
- Now a days, track maintenance is being carried out in mechanized manner for which there is requirement of S&T staff along with the track machines for optimum utilization of traffic blocks and machine in effective manner.
- Thus additional requirement of S&T staff is envisaged for existing network as well as additional infrastructure created, due to manifold increase in maintenance efforts and attention required for assets to ensure safety in train operations.

## Department- Telecommunication

S.No.	Item	Unit	As on 31-03-2019	As on 31-03- 2024	% Increase	Expected as on 31-03-25
1	IPMPLS	(No. of Stns)		436	New Asset Created	3321
2	VoIP Based TCCS	(No. of Stns)	-	431	New Asset Created	2895
3	IP Exchange	(Nos)	-	388	New Asset Created	172
4	HMIS	(No. of Hospitals)	-	706	New Asset Created	0
5	e-office	(No. of Locations)	-	236	New Asset Created	0
6	EIDS	(Rkms)		24	New Asset Created	0
7	RDPMS	(No. of Stns)	-	17	New Asset Created	0
8	OFC	(Rkms)	55835	66179	18.53	733
9	Quad Cable	(Rkms)	62571	65943	5.39	487
10	PA System	(No. of Stns)	5206	5980	14.87	377
11	Train Indication Boards	(No. of Stns)	1090	1274	16.88	313
12	Coach Indication System	(No. of Stns)	583	762	30.7	235
13	CCTV at Stations	(No. of Stns)	453	882	94.7	5614
14	Wi-Fi at Stations	(No. of Stns)	1606	6108	280.32	
15	Railnet Connections	(Nos)	131502	154175	17.24	
16	FOIS	(No. of Locations)	2454	3012	22.74	-

Department - Civil Engineering (Gati Shakti)							
S.No.	Item	Unit	19-20	20-21	21-22	22-23	23-24
1	New Line	KM	360	286	289	1815	2806
2	Doubling Line	KM	1458	1614	1983	636	2244
3	Gauge Conversion	KM	408	470	636	242	259
4	Total	KM	2226	2370	2908	5243	5309

Department- Electrical (Gatishakti)					
SN	item	Unit	As on 31.03.2019	As on 31.03.2024	% increase
1	Railway Electrification	Route KM (RKM)	35488	63456	79 %

**Advantage of Electrification-** Electric traction is environment-friendly mode of transport, which result in reduced operating cost & increased sectional capacity by eliminating detention on account of traction change. Further reduced dependency on imported fuel, saves precious foreign exchange.

Department – Electrical (General Services)					
S.No.	Item	Unit	As on 31-03-2019	As on 31-03-2024	% Increase
1	Escalators Installed	Nos.	656	1436	118.9%
2	Lifts Installed	Nos.	484	1435	196.49%
3	Solar plants installed	MWp	89.52	177.8	98.61%

- Escalators & Lifts are important Passenger amenity items for ease of movements under 'Saugamya Bharat Abhiyan'.
- Solar power plants are important assets for achieving Renewable power in IR.

**Department – Electrical (Traction Rolling Stock)**

SN	Item/infrastructure	Unit	As on 31.03.2019	As on 31.03.2024	% increase
1	Locomotives	No.	11739	15564	59.86
2.	Loco Sheds holding only electric locos	No.	32	51*	59.38
3.	Loco Sheds holding both electric and diesel locos	No.	11	36	227.27
4.	Trips sheds	No.	79	191*	141.77
5.	Workshops	No.	6	7	16.67
6.	Running Rooms (crew)	No.	451**	558	23.73
7.	Lobbies	No.	602	809	34.39

\*15 Electric Loco Sheds have been sanctioned in 2023-24 & 2024-25, 100 Nos. Trip sheds sanctioned in Budget 2024-25

\*\*As on 31.03.2018

Manpower is required to be created for :-

- To cater to maintenance of additional locomotives, infrastructures like Loco Sheds, Workshops, and Trip Sheds are being created. To maintain these facilities, additional manpower will be required as per yardstick.
- For operation of increased freight and passenger services, additional crew are being inducted, for which additional infrastructural facilities like running rooms, crew lobbies, training centres are being created. Additional manpower will be required for manning / maintaining these facilities.

<b>Department - Traffic</b>					
S.No.	Item	Unit	As on 31-03-19 (2019-20)	As on 31-03-2024 (2023-24)	% Increase
1	Freight loading	MT	1210.5	1590.6	31.40%
2	Passenger earning including metro	Crores	50570.9	70777.2	40%
3	Though Goods Trains/Day(Avg)	Trains/Day	4742	6430	35.60%
4	No. of coaching (including suburban Trains/Day(Avg.))	Trains/Day	11283	10733	-5%

<b>Department – Mechanical (Freight)</b>					
S.No.	Wagon Population	Unit	As on 31-03-2019	As on 31-03-2024	% Increase
1	Indian Railways owned	Nos.	293867	320220	8.96%
2	Privately owned	Nos.	29107	61035	109.69%
3	Total	Nos.	322974	381403	18.09%

<b>Department- Mechanical (Coaching)</b>					
S.No.	Item	Unit	As on 31-03-2019	As on 31-03-2024	% Increase
1	Coaches	Nos.	72532	93976	30%