

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1881**  
**ANSWERED ON 04.08.2023**

**PRIVATISATION IN RAILWAYS**

1881 SHRI DEREK O' BRIEN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is a move towards privatising production units under operations within the railway sector;
- (b) if so, the reasons behind it;
- (c) if not, justify the same;
- (d) data on recruitment of railway staff between 2018-2023 across operations and technical teams;  
and
- (e) data on their salary between 2018-2023 across operations and technical teams?

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

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) The present setup is functioning well as per the Indian Railways requirement.
- (d) 1,02,753 (Provisional) candidates have been empanelled against operating and technical posts by Railway Recruitment Boards (RRBs) for Group – C posts and 1,07,515 (Provisional) candidates have been empanelled in Level – 1 (erstwhile group – D) between 2018-2023.
- (e) The revenue expenditure on pay & allowances of railway staff for the years between 2018-2023 is Rs. 4,37,090 Crores (Provisional).

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