

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1074
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RESTORATION OF SENIOR CITIZEN CONCESSION IN RAILWAYS

1074 DR. JOHN BRITTAS:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken note of the demand for restoration of senior citizens concession in Railways;
- (b) whether it a fact that the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways has also recommended for restoration of senior citizen concession;
- (c) if so, whether the Railways will restore passenger concession to senior citizens; and
- (d) the timelines for restoring the concession?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d): Standing Committee on Railways has advised to review and consider concession to senior citizens at least in sleeper and 3 AC. Government gave subsidy of ₹59,837 Crore on passenger tickets in 2019-20. This amounts to concession of 53% on an average, to every person, travelling on Railways. This subsidy is continuing for all passengers. Further concessions beyond this subsidy amount are continuing for many categories like Divyangjans, students and patients.
