

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1888
ANSWERED ON 04.08.2023

CONCESSIONS TO SENIOR CITIZENS IN RAILWAYS

1888 SHRI NARAIN DASS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that railways will not consider granting concession to senior citizens, physically handicapped etc. in future;
- (b) the amount of revenue saved by the railways by disallowing such concessions to senior citizens, physically handicapped etc. during the last five years till date; and
- (c) diversion of the revenue so saved by disallowing these concessions?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c): Indian Railways strives to provide affordable services to all strata of society and 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.
