## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1580 ANSWERED ON 15.12.2023

### ISSUANCE OF SLEEPER CLASS TICKETS FOR DAYTIME PASSENGERS

#### 1580 SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there are any existing restrictions on the issuance of Sleeper Class tickets during the daytime for passengers;
- (b) if so, the specific guidelines in place;
- (c) whether there has been any recent policy change regarding the availability of Sleeper Class tickets during daytime, the reasons for such changes, if any; and
- (d) whether Government is considering to reinstate or reconsider any restrictions on giving Sleeper Class tickets during the daytime, if so, the factors that will be taken into account in making this decision?

#### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

#### (SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d): There is no restriction on issuance of reserved sleeper class tickets during the daytime for passengers. However, in order to ensure optimal utilisation of available accommodation and to meet the requirement of local passengers, powers have been delegated to zonal Railways to declare requisite number of sleeper class coaches as sleeper class unreserved/second class unreserved during daytime subject to certain conditions. For this purpose, unreserved sleeper class tickets are also issued, wherever required.

There has been no change in the policy in the recent past.

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