GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.759 ANSWERED ON 08.12.2023

RATIO OF COACHES IN TRAINS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) details of the current ratio to assign coaches to superfast trains, category-wise;
- (b) breakup since 2019 of total number of trains coaches operational in the Railways network, category-wise, year-wise;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the number of general and sleeper class coaches have been reduced and number of AC coaches increased, if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) number of tickets waitlisted in the previous financial year, category-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d) To cater to the needs of General Class passengers, the extant policy pertaining to the composition of Mail/Express services provide for 12 General & Sleeper non-AC coaches and 08 AC-Coaches in a train of 22 coaches, thereby providing for greater accommodation for passengers using General & Sleeper non-AC coaches. Moreover, the number of General & Sleeper (non-AC coaches) comprises about two-third of the total holding of coaches.

On Indian Railway, the occupancy pattern of train services is not uniform throughout the year and it varies over lean and peak periods.
