

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1373**  
**ANSWERED ON 02.08.2024**

**TICKET BOOKING QUOTA FOR SPORTSMEN**

1373 SHRI SANT BALBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any quota or any facility for sportsmen for making bookings for travel to play for sports events, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) number of players who have availed it during the last five years; and
- (c) whether there is any specific strategy to facilitate the players in future?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING  
AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c) On Indian Railways, reserved accommodation available for booking can be booked by any passenger including Sports Persons on first come first serve basis, as per Advance Reservation Period of the train. Moreover, to facilitate sports persons, the facility of block reservations is available for all sports teams participating in national tournaments recognised by Association of Indian Universities, National Sports Federations/ Indian Olympic Association/School Game Federation as per extant guidelines. Separate data regarding such facilities availed is, however, not maintained.

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