

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3277
ANSWERED ON 28.03.2025
REVENUE FROM RAILWAY OPERATIONS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) year-wise breakdown of revenue generated from freight and passenger train operations during last five years ;
- (b) year-wise and category-wise details of quantum of revenue earned from flexi fare, tatkal, premium tatkal and cancellation of tickets during last five years till 28.02.2025;
- (c) category-wise details of total seats available across Non-AC (Sleeper), AC Three Tier, AC Two Tier, First AC, and General Compartments and percentage-wise share thereof; and
- (d) year-wise details of revenue generated from each category and its percentage-wise share during last five years vis-a-vis total revenue generated from passenger operations?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
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- (a) to (d) Revenue generated by Indian Railways from Freight and Passenger operations during the last five years is as under:-

Financial Year	Revenue (₹ in Cr)	
	Freight	Passenger
2019-20	1,13,488	50,669
2020-21*	1,17,232	15,248
2021-22*	1,41,096	39,214
2022-23	1,62,263	63,417
2023-24	1,68,293	70,693

* COVID years.

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Revenue earned by Indian Railways on account of flexi fare, tatkal and premium tatkal during 2019-20 to 2023-24 is approximately 5.7% of the total revenue earned from passenger services. Amount credited on account of Cancellation of tickets is not maintained separately.

As on 01.04.24, there are about 79,000 coaches being utilized for running train services. The details are as under:

Class	No. of coaches	No. of seats
General and non-AC Sleeper	~56,000(70% of total)	~51 lakhs
AC Coaches	~ 23,000	~14 lakhs
Total	~ 79,000	~ 65 lakhs

Details of passenger seats and revenue during the period 2019-20 to 2023-24 is as below:

Class	Avg %share of total seats during 2019-20 to 2023-24	Avg % share of total passenger revenue during 2019-20 to 2023-24
Non-AC coaches (General / Sleeper etc.)	~ 82%	~ 53%
AC Coaches	~ 18%	~ 47%
