

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
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DYNAMIC FARE SYSTEM IN PREMIUM TRAINS

2352 # SHRI IMRAN PRATAPGARHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the duration for which it has been decided to continue the dynamic pricing or flexi-fare system which is implemented in premium trains;
- (b) the total financial benefit that Indian Railways has accrued from this system till date; and
- (c) whether Government is considering any amendment in or review of the fare policy?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c): Railways are running different types of services with different fare structures. The concept of flexi fare has been introduced only in limited number of trains viz. Rajdhani, Shatabdi & Duronto trains for better demand management. Moreover, alternative train services on normal fare structure are available over Indian Railways on the routes of Rajdhani, Shatabdi and Duronto trains.

Revenue earned by Railways on account of flexi fare during 2024-25 is only about 1.80% of total revenue earned from passenger services.

Indian Railways strives to provide affordable services to all strata of the society and gave subsidy of Rs. 60,466 cr on passenger tickets in 2023-24. This amounts to concession of 45% on an average, to every person, travelling on Railways. In other words, if the cost of providing service is Rs. 100, then the price of ticket is Rs. 55 only. This subsidy is continuing for all passengers.