

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1353
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.11.2016**

DECLINE IN RAILWAY EARNINGS

1353. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railway earnings have declined while compared to the last year;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;**
- (c) the details of zone-wise earnings of railways in the last year and the current year; and**
- (d) the Regions/Divisions of Railways that report the maximum number of ticketless passengers?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1353 BY SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 23.11.2016 REGARDING DECLINE IN RAILWAY EARNINGS

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The Railway Earnings to end of September-2016(2016-17) have declined by ₹ 3208.51 crore (4.04%) while compared to September-2015 (2015-16) and details of Earnings are as under:-

(₹ in crore)

	2015-16 Upto Sept.-15	2016-17 Upto Sept.-16	%Variation over previous year
Passenger Earnings	22480.02	23345.05	3.85
Other Coaching Earnings	2067.41	2183.18	5.60
Goods Earnings	52771.83	47974.03	(-)9.09
Sundry Other Earnings	2156.16	2764.65	28.22
Total Earnings	79475.42	76266.91	(-)4.04

Reasons for decline in freight earnings upto Sept.-2016(2016-17) are due to reduction in loading by 8.67 million tonnes as well as reduction in average lead from 610KMs to 568KMs compared to corresponding period of previous year i.e. upto Sept.-2015 (2015-16).

As far as passenger earnings is concerned, there has been no decline in the last financial year 2015-16 and the current financial year 2016-17. However, during the current financial year (upto September-2016), the earnings from parcel traffic have increased from ₹168.59 crore to ₹171.43 crore as compared to the earnings of the same period of last year, registering an increase of 1%. Further, with a view to increasing the parcel earnings, parcel leasing policies have been liberalized.

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(c): The details of Zone-wise Earnings of Railways in the last year and current year upto Sept.-2016 are as under:-

(₹ in crore)

Zonal Railways	2015-16	2015-16 To end of Sept.-15	2016-17 To end of Sept.-16	Variation over Sept.- 15
Central	13232.42	6281.60	6014.76	-266.84
Eastern	6223.45	2874.07	2987.91	113.84
East Central	11002.94	5389.30	4994.54	-394.76
East Coast	13805.68	6575.66	6886.90	311.24
Northern	15889.60	7178.61	7645.06	466.45
North Central	13869.48	6768.55	6219.01	-549.54
North Eastern	3005.74	1537.32	1534.34	-2.98
Northeast Frontier	3788.78	1747.60	1838.26	90.66
North Western	7031.56	3591.45	3397.08	-194.37
Southern	7605.92	3910.00	3746.52	-163.48
South Central	15163.44	7769.35	6981.78	-787.57
South Eastern	12405.90	5950.40	5970.98	20.58
South East Central	12185.81	5810.09	5468.90	-341.19
South Western	4799.55	2302.43	2197.18	-105.25
Western	12691.64	6414.30	5652.24	-762.06
West Central	10882.89	5275.61	4631.96	-643.65
Metro/ Kolkata	206.15	99.08	99.49	0.41
Total	163790.95	79475.42	76266.91	-3208.51

(d): Division-wise details of ticketless passengers are not maintained. During financial year 2015-16 and 2016-17 the highest number of cases of ticketless travel and with improper ticket was reported in Northern Railway.
