GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2942 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2017

REVENUE HIKE IN RAILWAYS

2942. SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN: SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been any increase in the revenue of the Railways after the full fare has been charged for the children of the age group of 5 to 12 years instead of half fare; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, zone-wise including the revenue increased in S.J. Rajdhani Express (Ahmedabad-Delhi) during the last six months?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) & (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2942 BY SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN AND SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 02.08.2017 REGARDING REVENUE HIKE IN RAILWAYS

(a) & (b): On Indian Railways, children below the age of 5 years are carried free. Children of age 5 years and above but below the age of 12 years for whom full berth (in reserved class) is sought at the time of reservation, are charged full adult fare w.e.f 21.04.2016 (Advance booking started w.e.f. 23.12.2015). However, at the time of reservation if full berth is not sought then half of basic adult fare is charged.

Zone-wise earnings from the child passengers in the reserved class during the period January 2017 to June 2017 (based on transaction date) when compared to the period January 2015 to June 2015 are as under:-

Zonal Railway	Earnings (Approximately ₹ in Crore)	
	January 2015 to June 2015	January 2017 to June 2017
Central	62	74
East Central	27	33
East Coast	20	27
Eastern	29	37
Konkan	2	4
North Central	7	9
North Eastern	19	25
North East Frontier	19	25
Northern	148	185
North Western	29	37

South East Central	8	10
South Central	34	47
South Eastern	24	31
Southern	69	93
South Western	31	38
West Central	8	10
Western	63	76
Total (Approximate)	599	761

Additional earnings during January 2017 to June 2017 by 12957/12958 New Delhi-Ahmedabad Rajdhani Express due to number of child passengers booked on full fare is approximately ₹1.21 crore.
