

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.796
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.12.2017**

PANTRY CAR

†796. SHRIMATI NEELAM SONKER:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether 12226/12225 Kaifiyat express running from Delhi to Azamgarh does not have pantry car due to which passengers do not get dinner and refreshment facility and private vendors financially exploit the passengers;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Railways proposes to attach pantry car in Kaifiyat express in public interest; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (d): Attachment of pantry car to any train depends upon order of priority with respect to category of train viz. Rajdhani/Shatabdi/Duronto/Mail/Express trains etc, availability of pantry cars, load limitation and journey time of train etc. The running time of Train No.12226/12225 Kaifiyat express, is approximately 15 hours. Since this train is running with maximum permissible load of 22 LHB (Linke Hofmann Busch) coaches, it is not operationally feasible to attach pantry car without replacement of existing coach. However, passengers of this train can order food of their choice through e-catering which is available at all major stations en-route and through static units available at all stations en-route.
