### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1213 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2018

#### **TICKETLESS TRAVELLERS**

†1213. SHRIMATI SANTOSH AHLAWAT: SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI: SHRI R. DHRUVA NARAYANA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has details of money collected as penalty for ticketless travel;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last four years, zone-wise;
- (c) whether the Government is contemplating to prepare any concrete action plan to check ticketless travel and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has identified the zones where ticketless travel is the highest and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has prepared any specific action plan to check ticketless journey in these zones and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the zone-wise details of losses suffered by the Government during the last four years due to passengers travelling without ticket?

#### **ANSWER**

## MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1213 BY SHRIMATI SANTOSH AHLAWAT, SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI AND SHRI R. DHRUVA NARAYANA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 25.07.2018 REGARDING TICKETLESS TRAVELLERS.

(a) & (b) The zone-wise details of amount of Railway dues realized from persons detected without ticket/ with improper ticket for financial years 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17& 2017-18 are given below:-

Zonal Railway	Amount of railway dues realized (in Rupees crores)			
	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Central	98.00	117.91	125.13	149.96
Eastern	25.55	28.02	30.56	38.01
East Central	41.25	59.40	72.52	88.77
East Coast	15.63	21.19	22.11	25.80
Northern	90.13	111.62	116.52	164.72
North Central	66.56	77.99	84.09	98.35
North Eastern	50.32	55.71	60.80	69.21
Northeast Frontier	28.30	30.05	38.53	45.78
North Western	23.12	24.92	23.10	29.48
Southern	41.98	35.35	34.17	46.81
South Central	86.79	101.32	111.50	115.19
South Eastern	23.27	24.74	29.05	34.38
South East Central	14.35	15.93	17.55	21.09
South Western	20.55	22.64	30.46	39.26
Western	86.43	94.91	95.86	104.42
West Central	39.17	44.63	43.70	56.21

- (c) Indian Railways take various steps from time to time to curb ticketless travel, some of which are as under:
  - i. Facilitating issuing of reserved as well as unreserved tickets by providing Automatic Ticket Vending Machines(ATVMs), engaging Jansadharan Ticket Booking Sewaks(JTBS), Station Ticket Booking Agents(STBAs), Yatri Ticket Suvidha Kendra(YTSK) licensee, proliferating e-ticketing, mobile ticketing etc.
  - ii. Conducting of regular and surprise checks against ticketless travel, which are intensified during peak rush periods.
  - iii. Conducting vigorous drives such as Ambush Checks, Fortress Checks in association with Railway Protection Force under the Action Plan framed by Railway Board.
  - iv. Setting up of Intensive Check Posts at important stations of each division of Zonal Railways to curb ticketless travelling in unreserved segments.
  - v. Ensuring effective manning of all designated/functional gates at major stations with a view to curb entry of without ticket passengers in ticketed areas and to reduce ticketless travel.
- vi. Urging Travelling public to avoid ticketless travel through publicity campaigns launched by Zonal Railways through posters/notices/ announcements at railway stations and advertisements in newspapers.

- (d) & (e) No such zone has been identified. However, based on review of growth in passengers vis-à-vis window sales, sectors are identified by Zonal Railways from time to time to launch drives against ticketless travel. It is a continuous and ongoing exercise.
- (f) It is practically not feasible to quantify the loss suffered by the Government on account of ticketless travelling.

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