

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2352
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.12.2018**

GRADED DISCOUNT SYSTEM

2352. SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has introduced graded discount system for trains that see less than 60% bookings and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether under the scheme, upto 20% discount could be available and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the flexi fare scheme is being scrapped for trains that have shown 50% utilisation; and**
- (d) If so, the details thereof?**

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. 2352 BY SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 26.12.2018 REGARDING GRADED DISCOUNT SYSTEM

(a) to (d): Flexi fare scheme in Rajdhani, Shatabdi & Durgam Trains has been rationalized as under:

- (i) Flexi fare scheme has been discontinued for the full year from 15 trains having monthly occupancy less than 50% throughout the previous years.**
- (ii) Flexi fare scheme has been discontinued during pre-defined lean period of 3 months (February, March & August) from 32 trains, having monthly occupancy between 50 to 75% throughout the previous years.**
- (iii) Maximum cap of flexi fare scheme has been reduced to 1.4 times in all flexi fare applicable classes.**
- (iv) Graded discount has been introduced in flexi fare trains (Rajdhani, Shatabdi and Durgam) and Humsafar trains, where class-wise occupancy is less than 60%, 4 days prior to scheduled departure of the train as under:-**

Occupancy	Discount
Up to 70%	20% on last fare
70 to 80%	10% on last fare
Above 80%	Nil

The above changes have been implemented for journey commencing on 15.03.2019 onwards.
