

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 512  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.02.2019**

**REVISION OF FLEXI FARE SYSTEM**

**512. DR. P. K. BIJU:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways has implemented flexi fares for premium trains which have drawn criticism from various quarters;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the names of the trains in which flexi fares were introduced;**
- (c) whether the Railways has taken any decision to scrap/withdraw or revise the flexi fares in these trains; 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): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.**

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 512 BY DR. P. K. BIJU TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 06.02.2019 REGARDING REVISION OF FLEXI FARE SYSTEM**

**(a) to (d): The concept of flexi fare has been introduced in Rajdhani, Shatabdi & Duronto trains with effect from 09.09.2016. Under this scheme, the fare increases by 10% with every 10% of berths sold subject to maximum limit of 1.5 times in classes Second AC, Sleeper, Second sitting (reserved), AC Chair Car and 1.4 times in 3<sup>rd</sup> AC class. No change has been made in the fare of 1<sup>st</sup> AC and Executive class.**

**Based on the feedback from different quarters a committee was constituted to review the Flexi Fare scheme. Further based on the committee's recommendations the matter has been examined and it has been decided to rationalise flexi fare scheme as under:-**

**(i). Discontinuation of Flexi fare scheme from 15 trains fully and from 32 trains during pre defined lean period of 3 months (February, March & August).**

**(ii). Maximum cap of flexi fare scheme has been reduced to 1.4 times in all flexi fare applicable classes.**

**(iii). Graded discount has been introduced in flexi fare trains and Humsafar trains, where class-wise occupancy is less than 60%, 4 days prior to scheduled departure of the train as under:-**

<b>Occupancy</b>	<b>Discount</b>
<b>Up to 70%</b>	<b>20% on last fare</b>
<b>70 to 80%</b>	<b>10% on last fare</b>
<b>Above 80%</b>	<b>Nil</b>

**The above have been implemented for the journey commencing on or after 15.03.2019.**

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