

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**

**MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4688**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.03.2023**

**CASHLESS TRANSACTIONS AT RAILWAY STATIONS**

**4688. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is considering to stop sale of food items on cash at railway stations;**
- (b) if so, whether the Government has taken any steps in this regard; and**
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND**

**ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

**(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

**(a) to (c): No, Sir. There is no plan to stop the sale of food items on cash at railway stations. However, as a measure to encourage digital transaction, instructions have been issued to Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation Limited (IRCTC) and Zonal Railways to ensure availability of cashless transaction facilities at all Mobile and Static Catering Units at stations over Indian Railways to facilitate travelling passengers with additional option of payment.**

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