### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5470 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.04.2023

#### **CONCESSION TO DISABLED PERSONS**

#### **†5470. SHRI SUBRAT PATHAK:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide railway travel concession to autism and cerebral palsy patients along with one of his/her attendant;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **ANSWER**

## MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5470 BY SHRI SUBRAT PATHAK TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 05.04.2023 REGARDING CONCESSION TO DISABLED PERSONS

(a) to (c): At present, concession in passenger fare is admissible to the following categories of persons with disabilities:

SI No.	Persons with Disabilities	Extent of Concession
1	Orthopaedically Handicapped/ Paraplegic persons who cannot travel without escort.	75% in second, SL, 1st Class, 3AC, AC chair Car 50% in 1AC and 2AC,
2	Mentally retarded persons who cannot travel without escort.	25% in 3AC & AC Chair Car of Rajdhani/Shatabdi trains
3	Person with Visual Impairment with total absence of sight	50% in MST & QST in First and Second Class  One escort is also eligible for same element of concession
4	Person with Hearing and Speech Impairment totally (both afflictions together in the same person)	50% in second, SL and 1st Class 50% in MST & QST in first and second class
		One escort is also eligible for same element of concession

SL: Sleeper class, 3AC: AC-3 tier, 2AC: AC-2 tier, 1AC: 1<sup>st</sup> AC, MST: Monthly Season Tickets, QST: Quarterly Season Tickets

Concession is admissible only in basic fare as per Rule. Concession is granted on the basis of a concession certificate in Railway Proforma issued by Government doctor/other prescribed authority as per rule or on the basis of Unique ID card issued by Railways.

Moreover, Government gave subsidy of ₹59,837 Crore on passenger tickets in 2019-20. This amounts to concession of 53% on an average, to every person, travelling on Railways.

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