GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. 191 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2023

ADDITION OF EXTRA COACHES IN TRAIN

†*191. SHRI GHANSHYAM SINGH LODHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the mandatory number of general/unreserved coaches in various types of trains including Express and Superfast trains;

(b) whether the Government is aware that it is difficult to get reserved tickets in all the trains and the passengers are compelled to travel in unreserved coaches;

(c) if so, whether the Government proposes to resolve the said issue by adding one or two extra coaches in every train;

(d) whether the Government proposes to increase the number of such unreserved coaches to facilitate travel for the poor/underprivileged people in Express and Superfast trains; and

(e) if so, the time by which it is likely to be done?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 191 BY SHRI GHANSHYAM SINGH LODHI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 02.08.2023 REGARDING ADDITION OF EXTRA COACHES IN TRAIN

(a) to (e) On Indian Railways(IR), demand pattern of reserved accommodation is not uniform throughout the year and varies over lean and peak periods. IR constantly monitors the wait-list position of trains and demand and subject to operational feasibility and availability of resources, endeavours to provide additional accommodation and enhance the carrying capacity, by augmenting the load of train services both on temporary and permanent basis, extending and increasing the frequency of existing services, operating special train services, and introducing new train services.

The total non AC coaches (General & Sleeper) are about two-third of total holding of coaches. The details are as under:-

Non-AC Coaches (General & Sleeper)	41917 numbers
AC coaches	20287 numbers
Total	62204 numbers

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