GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.92 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.02.2022

REVENUE FROM SALE OF TICKETS

92. SHRI V. K. SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Railways has earned a whopping sum of several hundreds of crores from various types of tickets sold such as tatkal, premium tatkal, dynamic fares, etc. during the year 2020-21;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also true that this was achieved despite the fact that most of the train services were cancelled or suspended through most of the year due to Covid-19 pandemic and if so, the facts thereof;
- (d) whether it is also a fact that the passengers in these three categories are usually last minute travellers who avail these services by paying premium charges; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

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.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 92 BY SHRI V. K. SREEKANDAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 02.02.2022 REGARDING REVENUE FROM SALE OF TICKETS

(a) &(b): Revenue earned from Passenger Traffic including from various types of tickets sold such as tatkal, premium tatkal, dynamic fares etc., during the year 2020-21 was ₹15248.49 crore. This was approx 70% lower than the revenue earned for the previous year (2019-20). Zone-wise figures are given below:

(₹ in Crore)

Zones	2019-20	2020-21
Central	5593.92	1573.53
Eastern	2365.85	757.64
East Central	2499.23	1096.45
East Coast	1509.27	384.38
Northern	6429.13	1705.92
North Central	4773.84	2070.88
North Eastern	1619.42	616.64
Northeast Frontier	1332.58	460.51
North Western	2049.33	490.32
Southern	4586.77	977.02
South Central	5292.64	1347.87
South Eastern	1659.94	476.69
South East Central	1151.84	273.37
South Western	1582.77	352.24
Western	4619.10	1189.53
West Central	3384.17	1432.88
Metro	219.29	42.62
Total	50669.09	15248.49

- (c): To contain the spread of COVID-19 pandemic, Indian Railways discontinued all regular passenger carrying trains w.e.f. 23rd March, 2020, and operated only special trains, with limited stoppages, keeping in view the suggestions and concerns of State Governments.
- (d) & (e): Usually those passengers who have to undertake journey at short notice, avail reservation under Tatkal/Premium Tatkal scheme by paying the prescribed charges. With effect from 01.10.2014, in some of the selected trains which are in high demand, 50% of the existing accommodation under Tatkal Quota has been earmarked as Premium Tatkal Quota and is being booked on dynamic pricing.
