GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2666 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.08.2024

CONCESSION TO SENIOR CITIZENS ON RAIL TICKETS

†2666. SHRI GIRIDHARI YADAV:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the concession given on train tickets to Senior Citizens amounts of few crore rupees is withdrawn by the Government contrary to the concept of welfare states; and
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) and (b): Indian Railways strives to provide affordable services to all strata of the society and gave subsidy of ₹56,993 crore on passenger tickets in 2022-23. This amounts to concession of 46% on an average, to every person, travelling on Railways. This subsidy is continuing for all passengers. Further, concessions beyond this subsidy amount are continuing for many categories like 4 categories of Persons with disabilities (Divyangjans), 11 categories of patients and 8 categories of students.
