# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

# LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 123 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.12.2024

#### **RAILWAY CONCESSION FOR SPORTS PERSONS**

## \*123. SHRI AASHTIKAR PATIL NAGESH BAPURAO:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the impact on sportspersons due to non-continuation of railway concessions especially for those participating in National and State Tournaments;
- (b) if so, the details of any assessment carried out by the Government;
- (c) whether there are any plans to reinstate the concession on railway fares for sportspersons, given the fact that pandemic situation has normalized; and
- (d) if so, the details and timeline for reintroducing these concessions and if not, the reasons behind the continued suspension of these financial benefits for sportspersons?

### **ANSWER**

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

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STATEMENT RFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 123 BY SHRI AASHTIKAR PATIL NAGESH BAPURAO TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 04.12.2024 REGARDING RAILWAY CONCESSION FOR SPORTS PERSONS

(a) to (d): Indian Railways strives to provide affordable services to all strata of the society and gave subsidy of ₹56,993 cr on passenger tickets in 2022-23. This amounts to concession of 46% on an average, to every person, travelling on Railways. In other words for easier understanding, if the cost of providing service is ₹100, then the price of ticket is ₹54 only. 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.

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