

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 367
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.11.2024**

**REINSTATEMENT OF THE CONCESSION POLICY FOR SENIOR
CITIZENS ON TRAIN FARES**

367 SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plans to reinstate the concession policy for senior citizens on train fares in Indian Railways;**
- (b) if so, the details of revised policy which is expected to be implemented;**
- (c) whether the Government is considering alternative measures/discounts to assist elderly passengers on Indian Railways, if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) the total estimated amount saved by the Government annually from the suspension of concession policy for senior citizens; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (e): 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.