

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3893
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.12.2024**

BENEFITS OF ADDITIONAL GENERAL COACHES TO TRAINS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the expected benefits of adding general coaches to trains and the manner in which these coaches will help in increasing revenue, the details thereof;**
- (b) the number of additional passengers per month projected to benefit from this decision;**
- (c) the total budget allocation for this initiative and the details of the breaks down per coach and train route; and**
- (d) the details of mechanisms put in place to monitor the utilization, efficiency and passenger satisfaction of these additional coaches and the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) are tracked?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
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(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

(a) to (d) Indian Railways (IR) constantly endeavours to cater the demand of all class of passengers including general class passengers and accordingly, the extant policy regarding composition of Mail/Express trains, provide for 12 (Twelve) General class & Sleeper class non- AC coaches and 08 (eight) AC-Coaches, in a train of 22 coaches, to provide greater accommodation for the passengers using General and non-AC Sleeper Coaches.

With a view to augment the accommodation and for the benefit of passengers travelling in unreserved coaches, more than 900 General Class coaches have been attached, in the Mail/Express trains operating with LHB coaches during the current financial year. Keeping in view increased demand, IR has planned to manufacture 10,000 non-AC Coaches including General Class and Sleeper Class Coaches. Such measures facilitate unreserved passengers in undertaking journey in general coaches on Indian Railways which, at present, is carrying approximately 1.66 crore unreserved passengers per day.

The budget allocation for Train/Route wise augmentation of coaches is not maintained.
