GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1728 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.05.2016

INSURANCE FOR RAILWAY TRAVELLERS AND LUGGAGE

1728. SHRI DHARAM VIRA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of allocations made for Railway travel insurance scheme during the last financial year;

(b) whether the premium amount will be inbuilt or additional to the ticket fare and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time within which the compensation to the victims will be made;

(d) whether the magnitude of compensation would vary according to the gravity of injury and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the scheme is available for every traveller or would cater to a specific number of travellers and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (e): There is no Railway travel insurance scheme in force at present on Indian Railways and hence no allocation for the same has been made. However, a proposal to offer optional travel insurance for rail journeys at the time of booking has been announced in the Railway Budget 2016-17. In pursuance of the Budget announcement regarding travel insurance to the passengers, Indian Railway Catering & Tourism Corporation Limited (IRCTC) is developing an insurance model for e-ticket passengers as a pilot project for a period of one year. Modalities of the same are being worked out.

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