

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 649
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.04.2016**

PREMIUM TATKAL TICKETS

649. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has started Premium Tatkal Ticket facilities for passengers;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the salient features of Premium Class Tickets;**
- (c) the revenue generated through Premium Class Tickets so far;**
- (d) whether at some point of time the Premium Class Ticket fares are higher than Air fares;**
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and**
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to reduce the fares of Premium Tatkal Tickets?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): With effect from 01.10.2014, in some of the selected trains identified by Zonal Railways which are high in demand, 50% of the existing accommodation under Tatkal Quota has been earmarked as Premium Tatkal Quota and is being booked on dynamic pricing. This is a distance-slab based fare scheme where the fare increases by 20% after each slab of 10% berths are sold subject to maximum three times of tatkal fare.

(c): The total revenue generated since inception of Premium Tatkal Quota upto March, 2016 is ₹1195/- Crores approximately.

(d) & (e): In view of variable fare structure, the fare may or may not be higher than Air fares.

(f): At present, there is no such proposal.
