

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2974
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2016**

REVENUE FROM PASSENGER SEGMENT

**2974. SHRI A. ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:
SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of revenue from passenger segment and the amount going towards social service obligations;**
- (b) whether the Railways has set a target to grow passenger earnings by 12.4 per cent in 2016-17 and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) whether the Railways were able to achieve the said target during the first quarter of the current financial year 2016-17 and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)**

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2974 BY SHRI A. ARUNMOZHITHEVAN AND SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 03.08.2016 REGARDING REVENUE FROM PASSENGER SEGMENT

(a): There are four segments of earnings in Indian Railways viz Passenger, Other Coaching, Goods and Sundry Other Earnings. Of these segments of earnings, the earnings of Passenger segment of Indian Railways for 2015-16 (provisional) is ₹44283.26 crore and during 2016-17(upto June-16) is ₹11629.31crore Approximate.

Indian Railways carry out certain transport activities which are uneconomic in nature but carried out in the larger interest of the society. Losses incurred on this account are assessed every year and termed as Social Service Obligation on Indian Railways.

Latest available data of financial effect of Social Service Obligation on Indian Railways for the year 2015-16 (Estimated) is as under:-

(₹ in crore)

1.	Loss on Coaching services(Suburban &Non-suburban passenger traffic, parcel, luggage etc.)		34030.69
2.	Loss on essential commodities carried below cost operation-		
	Fruit and vegetables	37.00	
	Bamboos	14.08	
	Charcoal	7.90	
	Paper	5.97	
	Other Woods	5.72	
	Cotton Raw Pressed	2.78	
	Cotton manufactured other than piece goods	1.42	
	Sugar Cane	0.65	
	Glass Wares	0.60	
	Brick Tiles	0.04	
	Fire Wood & Other Fuel	0.03	
	Total		76.19
3	Total (item 1 & 2)		34106.88
4	Deduct- Staff welfare and law and order costs)		9168.31
5	Net Social Service Obligation		24938.57

(b): Yes, Madam. Passenger earnings in BE 2016-17 at ₹51012 crore was targeted to grow at 12.4 percent over RE 2015-16 passenger earnings of ₹45376.15 crore. However, since the Passenger earnings in 2015-16 (provisional) were ₹44283.26 crore against RE 2015-16 target, the growth target of Passenger earnings in BE 2016-17 has now increased to 15.2 per cent.

(c): No, Madam. The passenger earnings for first quarter of 2016-17 (upto June-16) is ₹11629.31 crore which is 9.47 per cent less than the Budget proportion of ₹12845.41 crore during the said period.
