GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4135 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2016

REBATE IN FARE TO TOURISTS IN ROYAL TRAIN

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to give rebate in fares to domestic tourists in Royal trains;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has taken steps in this regard; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (c): Rebate in fare to domestic tourists on luxury tourist trains are offered by respective State Tourism Corporations / Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC). Presently, only IRCTC offers rebate in fare on its train Maharajas' Express to domestic tourists by way of a discount of 50% to the second tourist sharing the cabin with a fully paid adult tourist, on select departures. Rajasthan Tourism Development Corporation, though offering no specific rebate on fare on Palace on Wheels and Royal Rajasthan on Wheels to domestic tourist, equivalent Indian National Rupee (INR) tariff for Indian Passport holders is fixed by taking the exchange rate as E 60 per US\$ irrespective of actual exchange rate, thereby insulating them from the fluctuation in exchange rate.
