

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 511
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.07.2016**

INCREASE IN LOWER BERTH FOR SENIOR CITIZEN QUOTA

511. SHRI G. HARI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has increased lower berth quota for senior citizens in trains;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Railways is considering to clear the waiting list tickets of the senior citizens on priority basis; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) & (b): Yes Madam. The combined quota earmarked for Senior Citizens; Female passenger 45 years of age and above and Pregnant women in Sleeper, AC-3 tier and 2A classes has been enhanced by 50% and now this quota is six lower berths per coach in Sleeper class and three lower berths per coach in AC 3 tier and AC 2 tier classes. In case of Rajdhani, Duronto and fully Air Conditioned/Express trains, the number of lower berths to be earmarked under this quota in 3 AC class are four per coach as against 3 in normal Mail/Express trains.

(c) No, Madam.

(d) Does not arise.
