

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2336
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CHARGING OF FREIGHT
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether freight is charged forty percent more than the cost and sufficient subsidy is given in the rail fares; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) & (b) During the year 1998-99, the average earning per net tonne kilometre was 26.25% higher than the average cost per net tonne kilometre. In passenger services, however, the average earning per passenger per kilometre was 38.33% less than the average cost per passenger per kilometre.