

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:178

ANSWERED ON:02.03.2006

EARNING FROM SAMJHAUTA EXPRESS

Shiwankar Shri Maha Deo Rao;Yadav Shri Kailash Nath Singh

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have made any assessment regarding travelling of passengers by Samjhauta Express;
- (b) if so, the total number of passengers travelled from Pakistan to India and vice-versa during 2004-05 and 2005-06;
- (c) the total earnings of the Railways from this train during the said period;
- (d) whether there is an increase in the number of passengers and sale of tickets during 2005-06 as compared to the previous year; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI LALU PRASAD)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.178 BY SHRI KAILASH NATH SINGH YADAV AND F-OT MAHADEORAO SHWANKAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 02.03.2006 REGARDING EARNING FROM SAMJHAUTA EXPRESS

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No. of Passengers travelled

2004-05	2005-06	Average No.	Average No.	%Variation
(upto Dec.2005)	of Passengers booked per month, during	of Passengers booked per month, during		
2004-05	2005-06 (upto Dec.2005)			

Passengers booked from India to Pakistan	40,885	37,440	3,408	4,160	+22.06
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Passengers booked from Pakistan to India	36,273	35,656	3,023	3,962	+31.06
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(c) Total Earnings from Passengers

2004-05	2005-06 (upto Dec. 2005)
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Total Earnings from Passengers booked from India to Pakistan	Rs. 73.18 lakhs	Rs. 69.06 lakhs
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Total Earnings from Passengers Rs. 40.43 lakhs Rs. 29.48 lakhs
booked from Pakistan to India

Total Rs. 113.61 lakhs Rs. 98.54 lakhs

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) The details of increase in number of passengers and sale of tickets

2004-05	2005-06	Earnings	Earnings	% Variation
(upto	per month	per month		
Dec.2005)	during	during		
2004-05	2005-06			
(upto Dec.				
2005)				

Total Earnings Rs.113.61 lakhs Rs.98.54 lakhs Rs.9.47 lakhs Rs.10.95 lakhs + 15.63
from Passengers

Average No. 3,408 4,160 - - +22.06
of Passengers
booked per
month from India
to Pakistan

Average No. 3,023 3,962 - - +31.06
of Passengers
booked per
month from
Pakistan to
India