

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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MONTHLY SEASON TICKETS
Sugavanam Shri E.G.

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have proposed to issue free monthly season tickets for Madrasa students;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is proposed to extend the scheme to all school/ college students of Below Poverty Line;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): The facility of free Monthly Season Tickets (MSTs) in second class has been extended to students attending Madrasa, High Madrasa and Senior Madrasa for commuting daily between the stations serving their place of residence & Madrasa. These MSTs are issued directly from the station on production of the prescribed certificates from the head of concerned Madrasas recognized by Ministry of Education, Government of India or the Education Department of the concerned State Government or affiliated to a recognized university.

(c) and (d): The facility of free monthly season tickets in second class is already admissible to all girls upto graduation and all boys upto 12th standard for travelling between place of school/college and place of residence.

(e): Does not arise.