

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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CONCESSION TO VARIOUS CATEGORIES  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways have issued concessions to different categories of persons;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the estimated loss of revenue to the Railways as a result thereof;
- (c) the details of additional concessions announced during the last three years budget; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Railways to mop up more revenue through various sources in order to compensate this deficit?

**Answer**

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

(a) and (b): Yes, Madam. Railways grant concessions to persons such as Senior citizens, certain categories of disabled persons and patients, students, artists, press correspondents, doctors, Police awardees, sports persons, National awardee teachers, war widows, etc.

During the year 2009-10 the monetary value of concessions granted to various categories of passengers was approximately Rs 567 crore.

(c): During the last three years budget, the following concessions have been announced:-2008-09

# Free MST (Monthly Season Ticket) to Girl Students extended from 12th to Graduation and to Boy Students from 10th to 12th standard.

# Element of concession to women senior citizens increased from 30% to 50%.

# AIDS patients granted 50% concession in second class for treatment in nominated ART (Anti-retroviral Therapy) Centres.2009-10

# Free MST extended to Madrasa, High Madrasa and Senior Madrasa.

# 60% concession in MST in Kolkata Metro to students attending schools/Madrasa/recognized vocational institutions up to classes academically equivalent to class XII.

# Izzat Monthly season ticket priced at Rs.25 introduced for the members of unorganized sector with monthly income not exceeding Rs.1500/- for travel up to 100 Km.

# 50% Concession to Artists is extended in AC Chair Car, AC 3-tier & AC 2-tier of Mail/express and Rajdhani/Shatabdi/Jan Shatabdi trains.

# Concession enhanced from 30% to 50% for men and to 60% for women Police Personnel of 60 years and above who have received President's Police Medal and Indian Police Medal.

# Concession enhanced to 50% for Press Correspondents in Rajdhani/Shatabdi/Janshabdi trains. Concession extended to spouse also once a year. 2010-11

# Concession to cancer patients enhanced to 100% in SL and 3-AC classes.

# 75% concession in SL and 50% in 1st Class, AC-CC, 3-AC and 2-AC including Rajdhani/Shatabdi trains to Film Technicians of Regional and Hindi Film Industry, when travelling for film production related work.

# Concession as applicable in case of spouse of Press correspondents extended to their dependent children and companion also.

(d): The steps taken by the railways to increase traffic earnings include introduction of new trains, running of special trains, increasing the composition of trains, initiatives under the freight business segment, additional leasing of parcel space, commercial publicity,

commercial utilization of air-space and land not immediately required for operational use, etc.