

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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RESERVATION QUOTA OF KAIFIYAT EXPRESS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways are aware of the fact that the reservation quota in various classes fixed for Azamgarh against Kaifiyat Express that originate from Azamgarh Railway Station of Uttar Pradesh has been now shifted to Lucknow Railway Station;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor, and the rules under which the reservation quota has been shifted; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Railways to restore the quota of Azamgarh in Kaifiyat Express and to add a pantry car in it ?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Reservation quota allotted in trains at different locations is reviewed from time to time keeping in view the demand pattern at various stations. Consequently, the quota of 2225 Kaifiyat Express has been reviewed by North Eastern Railway and based on the demand, certain berths have been earmarked at Lucknow. Such a review is a continuous process.

Attachment of Pantry Car to the trains is considered on the basis of various factors such as the availability of rolling stock, the duration of the journey, priority of the train, the timings, commercial justification, operational feasibility etc. However, at present, train side vending facilities are provided in Kaifiyat Express to meet the catering requirements of the passengers.