

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:189

ANSWERED ON:22.11.2012

REVISION OF TRAIN FARES

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have decided in principle to increase the passenger fares and freight in near future;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Railways have prepared any outline to improve the services to rail passengers;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the manner in which rail passengers are likely to be benefited as a result thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY)

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 189 BY SHRI YASHVIR SINGH, SHRI DINESH CHANDRA YADAV, SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR AND SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH, TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 22.11.2012 REGARDING REVISION OF TRAIN FARES.

(a) & (b) Evaluation of various alternatives relating to rationalization of the fare and freight structures is an on-ongoing process. Such exercises are yet exploratory in nature and do not constitute a systemic proposal for revision of fares.

(c) to (e) Improvement of services to railway passengers is among the foremost objectives of Indian Railways. Indian Railways have laid down comprehensive guidelines for provision of passenger amenities at Railway stations based on passenger traffic handled by the stations. Further, upgradation of railway stations is also taken up under the Adarsh stations scheme which has been introduced in the year 2009. So far 976 stations have been identified for upgradation under the scheme. Upgradation of stations and introduction of improved facilities to passenger is a continuous process.