GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1245 ANSWERED ON:26.11.2009 TICKETLESS TRAVELLING Pratapsinh Shri Chauhan Prabhatsinh

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of passengers booked for travelling on others ticket and without ticket in trains during the last six months; and
- (b) the steps taken by the Railways to check the ticketless travelling in trains?

Answer

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

- (a) The number of passengers booked for travelling on others' tickets and without tickets during the last six months (May,09 to October,2009) were 19076 and 45.93 lakhs respectively.
- (b) Regular and surprise checks are conducted in association with Railway Magistrates and the Police against ticketless travelling. These checks are intensified during peak rush/festival periods. The persons so apprehended for ticketless/irregular travel are taken up under the provisions of the Railways Act. Campaigns are also launched through various media to educate the public about the consequences of travelling without tickets. To deter ticketless/irregular travel, the minimum penalty has also been enhanced from Rs.50/- to Rs.250/- with effect from 01.07.2004.