

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4588
ANSWERED ON:20.12.2012
TICKETLESS TRAVELLING
Jeyadurai Shri S. R.

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total fine collected by the Railways from ticketless travellers during the last three years and the current year, zone and year-wise;
- (b) the steps taken/being taken to curb ticketless travelling;
- (c) whether the Railways propose to step up such checkings at regular intervals and more particularly during festive seasons; and
- (d) if so , the details thereof?

Answer

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

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4588 BY SHRI S. R. JEYADURAI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 20.12.2012 REGARDING TICKETLESS TRAVELLING.

(a): The zone-wise amount of railway dues realized from ticketless travellers during the last three years and the current year (April 2012 to October 2012) is Appended.

(b): The steps taken to check the entry of ticketless travellers in the trains are as follows:

Regular and surprise checks are conducted by ticket checking staff in association with Railway Protection Force, Government Railway Police and Railway Magistrates.

These checks are monitored by officers at various levels.

Intensive Check Posts have been set up to curb the ticketless/irregular travel in unreserved segments at important stations.

The minimum penalty for ticketless/irregular travel has been enhanced from Rs.50/- to Rs.250/- with effect from 01.07.2004.

Ambush checks, fortress checks, cross country checks, etc. are conducted from time to time under Action Plan.

Travelling public are educated about the consequences of ticketless travel by running awareness campaigns through various media.

(c) & (d): Ticket checking on trains and at stations is a regular process. Further, during peak rush and festival seasons, ticket checking activities are intensified by making special arrangements to keep a check on ticketless travel and other irregularities.