

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:229  
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CUT IN AC FIRST SECOND CLASS COACHES  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways have drastically cut AC first class and second class coaches in Rajdhani and other trains despite continuing demand for these classes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor ; and
- (c) the steps proposed to increase AC first and second class coaches on priority basis in each train?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b) No, Madam.

(c) To facilitate the AC-I and AC-II class passengers, 12 First cum Second AC class coaches and 39 AC-II class coaches have been attached in different trains on permanent basis for the period 01.04.2013 to 30.09.2013. Further, augmentation of trains, by various types of coaches including AC-I and AC-II coaches, is an ongoing process on Indian Railways, subject to operational feasibility, commercial viability and availability of resources.