

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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LOSSES IN RAILWAYS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Railways have incurred heavy losses due to free/concessional travel to various types of categories;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the revenue loss incurred during the last three years and the current year; and
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Railways to minimise the losses?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a): No, Madam.

(b): Free rail travel facility is provided to serving/retired railway employees as a part of their service conditions. Also, Complimentary Passes are issued to various categories of persons as a gesture to recognize their contribution in the field of social, cultural, educational, welfare activities or on medical/ compassionate grounds. Hence, the expenditure incurred on such free rail travel facility cannot be termed as loss.

(c): Does not arise.