

**Measures to increase non-fare revenue**

2859. PROF. M. V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has taken any measure to increase the non-fare revenue in Railways, which stood at 5 per cent in 2016;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, revenue source-wise; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. In order to monetize assets of Indian Railways and undertake revenue yielding activities, Indian Railways have taken certain measures to increase the non-fare revenue by issuing various Non Fare Revenue policy guidelines viz. Content on Demand, Unsolicited Non-Fare Revenue proposals, Out of Home Advertising, Mobile Assets, Rail Display Network and New Innovative Non Fare Revenue Ideas Scheme from various sources. Implementation of Non Fare Revenue Policies by Zonal Railways is an on-going process.

**Revision of medical fee by Railways**

2860. SHRI K.R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Railways have revised the fee for medical service to ₹100/- from ₹120/-;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that the railway doctors across India attend around 8,000 calls per month from passengers;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that most of the calls are turning out to be for non-serious reasons; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Every month a number of calls for medical assistance from passengers are received.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Most of the cases in which calls have been received are of routine nature of sickness caused due to journey related exertion such as fever, vomiting etc. for which medicines are already available in the Medical Boxes.