GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 308 ANSWERED ON 03.02.2023

DATE OF DISCONTINUATION OF CONCESSIONS

308 # SHRI SHAKTISINH GOHIL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the date since the concession given to senior citizens, journalists, etc. in rail travel has been discontinued and the reasons therefor; and
- (b) by when it is likely to be resumed?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) & (b): The concessions to senior citizens, journalists, etc. in passenger fare has been withdrawn from 20.03.2020. Government gave subsidy of ₹59,837 Crore on passenger tickets in 2019-20. This amounts to concession of 53% on an average, to every person, travelling on Railways. This subsidy is continuing for all passengers. Further concessions beyond this subsidy amount are continuing for many categories like Divyangjans, students and patients.
