

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 906
ANSWERED ON 09.02.2024

FLEXI PRICING POLICY

906. SHRI HARBHAJAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry is aware of diversion of railway passengers to other modes of transport like air and road due to flexi pricing policy leading to escalation of railway fare;
- (b) whether there is any proposal to review the flexi pricing policy in Indian railways;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) steps taken to make railways accessible and affordable for all?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(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. 906 BY SHRI HARBHAJAN SINGH ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 09.02.2024 REGARDING FLEXI PRICING POLICY

(a) to (d): The percentage occupancy of trains with Flexi fare has increased from 89% (2019-20) to 93.81% (2022-23). There is increasing demand for rail transportation.

Indian Railways caters to various segments of the travelling public and, accordingly, operates different types of train services like Suburban/Non-suburban ordinary train services, Mail/Express, Amrit Bharat, Vande Bharat, Humsafar, Antyodaya, Rajdhani, Shatabdi, Duronto, Yuva and Garib Rath services etc.

Further, review and rationalisation of passenger fare is an ongoing and continuous process.
