

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4142  
ANSWERED ON:20.04.2000  
FIRST CLASS AC COACH FACILITY IN LICHCHAVI EXPRESS  
BAL KRISHNA CHAUHAN

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the first class air conditioned coach facility has been withdrawn from the Lichchavi Express No. 5205/5206 plying between Muzaffarpur and New Delhi;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government have received any representation from the rail users and representatives of the people to restore the first class AC coach facility; and
- (d) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) Due to very poor patronage.
- (c) Yes, Sir. Some representations have been received in this regard.
- (d) Due to very poor patronage of the First AC coach and heavy demand from travelling public on AC-II tier coach, the First AC coach has been replaced by AC-II tier coach for larger public satisfaction.