

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS  
(RAILWAY BOARD)

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Rail Bhavan, New Delhi-110001 dt.24.03.2005

Office Memorandum

Sub: Entitlement of Speaker of Lok Sabha and Union Minister for travel in various classes by trains.

Ref: Office Memorandum No. 10/2/2005- M & G dt. 28.2.2005

The entitlement of accommodation in trains as provided in the Office Memorandum under reference has been examined in the Ministry and following comments are offered for reconsideration:-

At present the entitlement of Union Ministers is First AC coupe or 4 berths in AC-2 tier. In case, 4 berths in first AC are provided out of the total number of 10 berth in 1st AC composite coach and 18 first AC berths in a full coach, at least 2 cabins (8 berths) will have to be earmarked as emergency quota for meeting the demands of VIPs as against normally two coupes (4 berths) at present leaving very little accommodation for the general public. It is, therefore, proposed that:

- (i) The entitlement of Hon'ble Speaker who is also a Constitutional Authority like the Hon'ble Governor may be at par with the Governors, i.e. four First AC berths.
- (ii) In the case of Union Ministers, the status quo should be maintained, i.e., First AC coupe of 2 berths.
3. This has the approval of Minister of Railways.

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No. 10/2/2005-M&G  
Government of India  
Ministry of Home Affairs

New Delhi, the 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2005.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub:- Entitlement of the Speaker of Lok Sabha and Union Minister for travel in various classes by the trains.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Ministry's O.M.No.10/32/99-M&G dated 30-3-2000 and to say that in partial modification of the clarification issued earlier, the entitlement of a Minister to travel by railway as per Rule 6 read with 2(iv) of the Ministers' (Allowances, Medical Treatment and other Privileges) Rules, 1957 is as follows: -

- (i) First Class - Two-berthed or four-berthed compartment, or
- (ii) First AC - A coupe or four-berthed compartment, or
- (iii) AC 2-tier - four-berthed compartment, or
- (iv) AC 3-tier - six-berthed compartment.

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