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Rail Travel Concession

Gallantry award winners, widows of posthumous award winners and war widows get rail travel concessions. These are given through the railways, not through a KSB grant.

What you may get

Free travel in first class or AC two tier, with one companion, for recipients of the Param Vir Chakra, Ashok Chakra, Maha Vir Chakra, Kirti Chakra, Vir Chakra and Shaurya Chakra, and for widows of posthumous winners. War widows get 75 percent off the second class fare.

Who it is for

Winners of the six top gallantry awards, widows of posthumous winners, and war widows holding the KSB identity card.

Main conditions

- The free travel facility is meant for recipients of the PVC, Ashok Chakra, MVC, Kirti Chakra, VrC or Shaurya Chakra, and for widows of those who won these awards after death.
- The 75 percent second class fare concession is meant for war widows.
- A war widow uses the concession by showing the identity card issued by KSB.

Documents

- Identity card issued by the Kendriya Sainik Board, for war widows

How to apply

1. The free travel facility is given through the Indian Railway authorities, so ask at the railway reservation or booking office about booking it.
2. War widows should carry the KSB identity card and show it to claim the 75 percent concession on second class travel.

Status

Active

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