

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 677
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.07.2022**

RESTORATION OF TRAIN SERVICES IN KERALA

677. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has restarted all the train services as in pre-Covid situation;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of train services that have been restarted as regular trains after Covid restrictions;

(d) whether the Government proposes to restore the dereservation facility in trains and if so, the details thereof and the proposed date of restoration of the dereservation facility in each train passing through Kollam railway station;

(e) whether the Government proposes to convert all trains into regular trains after its restoration post Covid and if so, the details of trains proposed to be converted into regular trains from Kollam; and

(f) the details of stoppages proposed to be reinstated in Kollam constituency?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (f) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) of UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 677 BY SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 20.07.2022 REGARDING RESTORATION OF TRAIN SERVICES IN KERALA

(a) to (f) To contain the spread of COVID - 19 pandemic, Indian Railways had discontinued all regular passenger carrying trains w.e.f. 23rd March, 2020. Since November 2021, Mail/Express trains are being operated with regular number and as per rationalized time table. As on 14.07.2022, on a daily average basis, 9754 trains which includes 1867 Mail/Express, 5651 suburban trains and 2236 passenger trains were operated over Indian Railways. Besides, passenger train services are being restored in a phased manner, subject to operational feasibility and commercial justification. Further, provision / rationalization of stoppages is an ongoing process on Indian Railways subject to operational feasibility, commercial viability etc.

Further, with effect from 30.06.2022, unreserved coaches have been restored in all Mail/Express trains passing through Kollam station as per applicability during Pre Pandemic Period.

Apart from above, it has also been decided to de-reserve sleeper class coaches in the following trains:-

Sl.	Train No.	Details of Coaches de-reserved	Sections de-reserved	w.e.f
1	16382 Kanniyakumari-Pune Express	S5	Kanniyakumari-Ernakulam	15.10.2022
		S6	Kanniyakumari-Palakkad	15.10.2022
2	12624 Thiruvananthapuram-MGR Chennai Central Express	S7	Thiruvananthapuram-Ernakulam	15.10.2022
3	16629Thiruvananthapuram-Mangaluru Central Malabar Express	S8	Thiruvananthapuram-Kottayam	19.10.2022
4	16630 Mangaluru Central-Thiruvananthapuram Malabar Express	S5, S6	Kottayam-Thiruvananthapuram	19.10.2022

5	16723 Chennai Egmore-Kollam Ananthapuri Exprss	S10, S11	Tirunelveli- Kollam	19.10.2022
6	16724 Kollam-Chennai Egmore Ananthapuri Express	S11	Kollam- Tirunelveli	20.10.2022
7	16525 Kanniyakumari- KSR Bengaluru Express	S6	Kanniyakumari- Ernakulam	07.08.2022
		S7	Kanniyakumari- Palakkad	07.08.2022
8	17229 Thiruvananthapuram- Secunderabad Sabari Express	S11, S12	Thiruvananthapu ram-Coimbatore	14.10.2022
9	16346 Thiruvananthapuram- Lokmanya Tilak (T) Express	S8	Thiruvananthapu ram-Ernakulam	14.10.2022
