

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 218
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.12.2022**

TRI-WEEKLY SERVICE OF OKHA-HARIDWAR EXPRESS

***218. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a proposal has been received by the Ministry for operating of train no. 19565/66 Okha-Haridwar express, between Okha-Delhi Sarai Rohilla tri weekly, if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether it is a fact that inspite of tremendous public demand of people of Saurashtra the proposal has been kept at abeyance;**
- (c) if so, the reasons for the same; and**
- (d) the time likely to be taken for implementation of the proposal?**

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
STARRED QUESTION NO. 218 BY SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI
KUNDARIYA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 21.12.2022
REGARDING TRI-WEEKLY SERVICE OF OKHA-HARIDWAR EXPRESS**

(a) to (d) Yes, Sir. Requests, including from the Hon'ble Member of Parliament, have been received for increase in frequency of 19565/66 Okha-Dehradun Express from weekly to tri-weekly. The matter has been examined but not found feasible, at present, due to operational constraints including terminal constraints at both ends and path constraints on sections enroute. However, increase in frequency of train services depends on operational feasibility, resource availability, traffic justification, etc., which is an on-going process.
