

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1147
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.07.2023**

INTERCITY/VANDE BHARAT EXPRESS TRAIN

1147. SHRIMATI ANGADI MANGAL SURESH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any measures are being contemplated to commence the “Vande Bharat” Semi High Speed Train from Belagavi - Bangalore-Belagavi , which has now commenced from Hubli to Bangalore instead;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether there are any plans to start Intercity/ Vande Bharat Express train from Belagavi to Pune and back, which has been the long pending demand of resident citizens; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d) 15 pairs of train services are presently catering to the needs of the passengers of Belagavi-Bengaluru sector while 16 pairs are catering to the Belagavi-Pune sector. Besides, introduction of trains including Vande Bharat trains, is an ongoing process over Indian Railways subject to operational feasibility, traffic demand, availability of resources, etc.
