

**Regarding need to start an Intercity Train between Nandurbar and Pune on daily basis-laid**

**DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT (NANDURBAR):** I represent the Nandurbar Lok Sabha constituency which is a tribal dominated area and an aspirational district. Nandurbar currently has very few avenues for higher education. Due to limited opportunities in terms of education, students have to travel to Pune, which is the educational hub of the world to pursue courses in higher education like Engineering, Management, Medicine or Law. In addition to the students, there are a large number of businessmen, labourers and working professionals from Nandurbar who travel to Pune frequently. The low frequency and absence of a direct train between Nandurbar and Pune, causes a lot of inconvenience to the people of Nandurbar. The demand for an intercity express between Nandurbar and Pune has been pending for a long time. I request the Government to start an Intercity train between Nandurbar and Pune on a daily basis in order to benefit thousands of working professionals, students, businessmen and citizens who travel on this route frequently for work, business or educational purposes. An intercity train will aid socio-economic development and improve the human development index of my Lok Sabha constituency due to ease of travelling. It will also promote connectivity between Western Maharashtra and North Maharashtra.