

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 763
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2024**

REDEVELOPMENT OF AYODHYA DHAM JUNCTION RAILWAY STATION

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DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has recently inaugurated the redeveloped Ayodhya Dham Junction Railway Station;**
- (b) if so, whether two new Amrit Bharat trains and six new Vande Bharat trains have also been flagged off from Ayodhya Dham Junction Railway Station;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the three railway projects worth Rs. 2300 crore to strengthen rail infrastructure in the region were also inaugurated there;**
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (f) the other steps being taken by the Railways for the increased rail connectivity from Ayodhya to other parts of the country?**

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. 763 BY SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK, DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR, SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEO, SHRI BHOLA SINGH, SHRIMATI DIMPLE YADAV AND DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.02.2024 REGARDING REDEVELOPMENT OF AYODHYA DHAM JUNCTION RAILWAY STATION

(a): Redeveloped Ayodhya Dham Junction Railway Station was inaugurated on 30th December 2023.

(b) and (c): The eight pairs of trains flagged off from Ayodhya in the month of December, 2023 are 20641/20642 Bangalore Cantt – Coimbatore Vande Bharat Express, 20645/20646 Mangalore - Madgaon Vande Bharat Express, 20705/20706 Jalna CSMT Mumbai Vande Bharat Express, 22425/22426 Anand Vihar Terminal-Ayodhya Cantt. Vande Bharat Express, 22477/22478 Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra-New Delhi Vande Bharat Express, 22487/22488 Amritsar New Delhi Vande Bharat Express, 13433/13434 SMVT Bengaluru – Malda Town Amrit Bharat Express and 15557/15558 Anand Vihar – Darbhanga Amrit Bharat Express.

(d) and (e): At present 03 railway projects falling fully/partially in Ayodhya Dham Station region have been taken up. The details of these projects are as under:

- 1. Jaunpur-Ayodhya-Barabanki doubling project (238km) at a cost of Rs. 2877 crore has been taken up. So far, expenditure of Rs. 2582.54 crore has been incurred and Tulsi Nagar-Jafarganj, Ayodhya-Sohawal, Patranga - Safdarganj and Rasauli - Barabanki sections have been completed and commissioned.**
- 2. Malhaur-Daliganj Doubling project (12.62km) at a cost of Rs. 200 crore has been taken up. The project has been commissioned in 2022-23.**

3. Rooma-Chakeri-Chanderi 3rd rail line project (12.5 km) at a cost of Rs. 179.20 crore has been taken up. Rs. 84.62 crore has been incurred upto March -2023.

(f): At present, Ayodhya Dham is being served by 30 pairs of train services connecting it to various parts of the country. To cater to the growing needs of passengers of Ayodhya Dham Indian Railways have introduced 2 pairs of trains namely 22425/22426 Anand Vihar (T)-Ayodhya Cantt. Vande Bharat Express and 15557/15558 Anand Vihar (T)-Darbhanga Amrit Bharat Express (via Ayodhya) in the month of December-2023. Further, the services of 22129/22130 Lokmanya Tilak (T)-Varanasi Express has been extended to Ayodhya Cantt. w.e.f. 27.08.2023. Besides, introduction/extension/increase in frequency of train services are ongoing processes on Indian Railways subject to traffic demand, operational feasibility and availability of resources etc.
