

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2637
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.08.2024**

VANDE BHARAT TRAINS PASSING THROUGH BIHAR

†2637 SHRI ABHAY KUMAR SINHA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to start a new train from Patna to Delhi via Jehanabad, Gaya, Aurangabad, Sasaram, Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyaya junction and Banaras;**
- (b) if so, the details of the timeline and if not, the reasons therefor;**
- (c) the number of Vande Bharat trains rolled out during the last three years; and**
- (d) the details of the trains passing through Bihar?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d) As the Railway network straddles across State boundaries, trains are introduced as per network requirement, across such boundaries. Of the 102 Vande Bharat train services operational (as on 31st July, 2024), 08 Vande Bharat Express services (on originating/Terminating basis) are serving the passengers of the stations located in the State of Bihar.

Presently, Delhi is well connected to both Patna and Gaya by 28 pairs and 24 pairs of trains respectively, which may be availed by the passenger of Jehanabad desirous of travelling to Delhi area. Besides, introduction of train services, including Vande Bharat trains, is an ongoing process on Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, resource availability etc.

During the period 2021-22 to 2023-24, 98 Vande Bharat services have been introduced.
