

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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NEW TRAINS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have any proposal to start Shatabdi Express from Delhi to Lucknow via Moradabad-Bareilly-Shahjahanpur route, a superfast train between New Delhi and Mysore via Nagpur, a passenger train via Samdari Bhildi between Jodhpur and Ahmedabad route, Vivek Express between Dwarka and Tuticorin via Wadi, a train between Dhule and Mumbai and a local train between Hardoi and Lucknow;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be provided;

(c) whether any representation regarding change of station for Dehradun Express running between Dehradun and Mumbai via Delhi station instead of Hazrat Nizamuddin station;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be provided;

(e) the names of the trains specifically designed for linking tourist destinations in the country particularly for Jalgaon and Ajanta Palace; and

(f) the further steps taken/being taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY)

(a) and (b) In the Railway Budget 2011-2012, introduction of 19567/19568 Dwaraka-Tuticorin Vivek Express (Weekly) via Wadi has been announced and the same has been introduced w.e.f. 12.11.2012 upto Madurai. Extension of this train upto Tuticorin will be implemented later.

However, at present, there are no proposals for introduction of a Shatabdi Express from Delhi to Lucknow (via Moradabad-Bareilly-Shahjahanpur), superfast train between New Delhi and Mysore (via Nagpur), Passenger train between Jodhpur and Ahmedabad (via Samdari, Bhildi), new train between Dhule and Mumbai and a local train between Hardoi and Lucknow.

(c) and (d) Representations are received at various levels of Railway administration, a complete compendium of which is not maintained. At present, running of 19019/19020 Bandra-Dehradun Dehradun Express via Delhi is not feasible due to operational constraints.

(e) and (f) At present, luxury tourist trains like Deccan Odyssey and Maharajas' Express link Jalgaon, along with other tourist places, for the promotion of tourism.