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Title: Need to provide stoppage of express trains at Asansol and Raniganj railway stations, West Bengal -Laid.

SHRI BIKAS CHOWDHURY (ASANSOL) : I beg to draw the immediate attention of Hon'ble Railway Minister regarding the stoppages of following trains at Asansol railway station and Raniganj railway station. There was six days stoppage of Rajdhani Expresses at Asansol railway station upto July, 2002, but surprisingly, Railway Authority reduced six days stoppage to four days stoppage at Asansol depriving the passengers of the facility of Rajdhani Expresses of the two days stoppage. Passengers become aggrieved and the Hon'ble Minister has been requested to restore six days stoppages.

The residents of Raniganj and its neighbouring locality, most of whom hail from Rajasthan State have repeatedly requested the Hon'ble Railway Minister for stoppages of Jodhpur Express up & down at Raniganj Station for the last so many months. It is urgently needed and demand the stoppage of Jodhpur Express at Raniganj, so that they may avail the facility of Jodhpur Express only to avoid mid night journey to Asansol for safety season.

I urge upon the Hon'ble Minister to consider for the above stoppages.