

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.668
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.11.2019**

NEW INTERCITY TRAIN

668. DR. RAJDEEP ROY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Silchar is the second largest city in the North East and the gateway to three different States namely Tripura, Mizoram, Manipur and partially Meghalaya, though Silchar is connected by train to Agartala;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether Sil-Ghy and Sil-Agt Shatabdi/Intercity can be started at the earliest; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b) Silchar is well connected to various parts of the country including Guwahati, Delhi, Thiruvananthapuram, Agartala, Bhairabi and Vegaichungpao.

(c) & (d) At present, Silchar-Guwahati sector is being served by 5 pairs of Mail/Express trains and one pair of passenger trains while Silchar-Agartala sector is being served by one pair of passenger trains. However, introduction of new train between i.e. Silchar & Guwahati and between Silchar & Agartala is not feasible, at present, due to operational and resource constraints.
