

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2067
ANSWERED ON 23.12.2022

VANDE BHARAT TRAINS LAUNCHED AND PROPOSED

2067 SHRI G.V.L. NARASIMHA RAO:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the Vande Bharat Trains introduced so far, the details thereof;
- (b) the plan for introducing new Vande Bharat Trains in other routes, details and schedule thereof;
- (c) the speed, distances covered by Vande Bharat Trains on different routes;
- (d) whether Andhra Pradesh will get Vande Bharat Trains in the near future, details thereof;
- (e) whether Vande Bharat Trains originating from Visakhapatnam will be launched soon, if so, the details thereof;
- (f) if not, likely timeframe for Vande Bharat Trains from Visakhapatnam; and
- (g) the train routes under consideration for Vande Bharat Trains from Visakhapatnam?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (g): Presently, 06 pairs of Vande Bharat Express trains namely Varanasi- New Delhi (757 Km), New Delhi – Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra (655 Km), Mumbai Central-Gandhinagar Capital (519 Km), New Delhi-Amb Andaura (412 Km), Chennai-Mysuru (504 Km), Bilaspur-Nagpur (411 Km) are in operation over the Indian Railways' (IR) network. The speed potential of these trains is 160 Kmph and are presently attaining speed upto 130 Kmph, as per maximum sectional speed.

Indian Railways do not run train services on a State-wise basis as the Railway network straddle across State boundaries. However, introduction of additional/new Vande Bharat services is an on-going process which is dependent on factors like operational feasibility and availability of rolling stock, etc.
