

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 100
ANSWERED ON 28.07.2023

BHARAT GAURAV TRAINS

*100 **SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Bharat Gaurav trains currently operational in the country to showcase India's rich cultural heritage and magnificent historical places;
- (b) the details of such trains, with special reference to the State of Chhattisgarh;
- (c) the benefits realised due to the same;
- (d) the total number of passengers carried by the same so far, year-wise; and
- (e) the proposed trains in this respect?

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

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 100 BY SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 28.07.2023 REGARDING BHARAT GAURAV TRAINS

(a) to (d) Bharat Gaurav Tourist Circuit trains are aimed at experiencing India's rich cultural heritage and magnificent historical places by the people of India and the world. In the effort to achieve the objective, as of 24.07.2023, 75 trips of Bharat Gaurav trains have catered 36645 tourists/pilgrims on the different routes.

FY	Nos. of Trips	No of tourists/pilgrims traveled
2022-23	31	14146
2023-24 (upto 24.07.2023)	44	22499
Total	75	36645

Bharat Gaurav Tourist Circuit trains have so far covered locations of historical and cultural importance across 23 States/Union Territories.

It is a continuous endeavor of Indian Railways to give a concerted thrust and facilitate operation of Bharat Gaurav Trains which has a multiplier impact on tourism potential and promotion in the country.

(e) Running of Bharat Gaurav Trains by service providers over Indian Railways is a continuous process and accordingly Bharat Gaurav trains are planned, launched and operated depending upon the demand of the tourists/pilgrims and its commercial viability.
