GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 921 ANSWERED ON 09.02.2024

VANDE BHARAT EXPRESS TRAIN FROM RANCHI TO DELHI

921 # SHRI ADITYA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to run Vande Bharat Express train from Ranchi to Delhi;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) As on 31st January, 2024, 82 Vande Bharat train services are running across the Indian Railways, connecting states having Broad Gauge (B.G.) electrified network. At present, only Chair Car variants of Vande Bharat services are operational which are not suitable for long distance journeys between Ranchi and Delhi (1244 Km). However, Ranchi is presently being served by 02 pairs of Vande Bharat services namely Howrah - Ranchi Vande Bharat Express and Patna - Ranchi Vande Bharat Express. Besides, introduction of new train services, including Vande Bharat services, is an ongoing process over Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, resource availability, etc.
