### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

## RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.131 ANSWERED ON 06.12.2024

#### HALTING OF NANDED EXPRESS AT TOHANA STATION

131 # SHRI SUBHASH BARALA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the reasons for no halting of Nanded Express (12421/22, 12439/40, 12485/86) at Tohana station, despite its proximity to important Sikh pilgrimage site, Dhamtan Sahib Gurudwara;
- (b) whether it is possible for permitting halt at Tohana station to cater to the needs of Sikh Devotees and passengers traveling to Nanded Hazur Sahib;
- (c) whether Dhauladhar Express (Train No. 14035/14036), which takes more than 40 Minutes between Narwana and Jakhal, halts at Tohana station, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the route of Dhauladhar Express could be extended to include Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra (SVDK) route, if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

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**STATEMENT** REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 131 BY SHRI SUBHASH BARALA ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 06.12.2024 REGARDING HALTING OF NANDED EXPRESS AT TOHANA STATION.

(a) to (d) Presently, Tohana station is being served by 15 pairs of train services. 12421/12422 Hazur Sahib Nanded - Amritsar Express, 12439/12440 Hazur Sahib Nanded - Shri Ganganagar Express, 12485/12486 Hazur Sahib Nanded - Shri Ganganagar Express and 14035/36 Delhi Sarai Rohilla- Pathankot Dhauladhar Express have scheduled stoppage at Jakhal.

Tohana-Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra sector is, presently, served by 04 pairs of train services. Besides, provision of stoppage and extension of existing train services are ongoing processes on Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility etc.

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