GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2186 ANSWERED ON 13.12.2024

TRAIN BETWEEN JABALPUR AND PUNE IN OSHO'S NAME

2186 SHRI VIVEK K. TANKHA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is no direct train between Jabalpur and Pune;
- (b) if so, whether Government is aware of the demand for a direct train from Jabalpur to Pune, named after the spiritual guru 'Osho' in view of the fact that Acharya Rajneesh's spiritual awakening took place in Jabalpur and he made Pune his home in his later years, thereby making it extremely difficult for his 4 lakhs followers to commute between the two cities;
- (c) if so, steps taken to start a direct train connecting the two cities, details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d) Presently, 05 pairs of Mail/Express trains are operating on Jabalpur-Pune sector. Besides, to cater extra passenger rush 03 pairs of special trains are also serving the sector. Further, introduction of train services is an ongoing process on Indian railways subject to operational feasibility, traffic justification, availability of resources, etc. Naming of train services is also an on-going process.
