

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2987
ANSWERED ON 20.12.2024

**IMPACT OF NON-STOPPAGE OF BHUBANESWAR-DELHI DURONTO EXPRESS
AT CUTTACK**

2987 SHRI DEBASHISH SAMANTARAY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has assessed the social and economic impact of not providing a stoppage for the Bhubaneswar-Delhi Duronto Express at Cuttack Railway Station, particularly for students, professionals, and business persons who rely on this route;
- (b) the potential improvements in connectivity and convenience for the passengers of Cuttack if the train were to stop at the station; and
- (c) whether any studies or reports have been conducted to evaluate the feasibility of introducing a stoppage at Cuttack, if so, the findings and recommendations thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c) On Indian Railways, provision of stoppage of train services at different stations, to enhance connectivity, is an ongoing process subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, etc.

Presently, Cuttack is well served by 210 train services which *inter alia* includes 06 Vande Bharat services, 06 Rajdhani Express services, 02 Amrit Bharat Express, 02 Shatabdi Express, 02 Janshatabdi Express and 02 Garib Rath Express. Of these services, 18 Mail/Express services including Rajdhani Express services are providing connectivity to Delhi Area.
