

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.586**  
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**ADDITIONAL TRAINS FROM DELHI TO JHARKHAND**

586 # SHRI ADITYA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to increase the number of trains from Delhi to States like Jharkhand;

(b) whether Government has taken any steps to implement any special scheme for tribals living below the poverty line so as to enable them to travel by train; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND  
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(a) to (c) Indian Railways constantly endeavours to cater to the travelling needs of all cross-section of society by operating different types of services with different composition, which includes both Non-AC and AC coaches. Of the total number of Coaches being presently utilized for running of train services, two-third are non-AC, and one-third are AC variants. With a view to provide greater accommodation for the passengers using General and non-AC Sleeper Coaches, the extant policy regarding composition of Mail/Express trains, provide for 12 (Twelve) General class & Sleeper class non- AC coaches and 08 (eight) AC-Coaches, in a train

of 22 coaches, thereby providing greater accommodation for the passengers using General and non-AC Sleeper Coaches. With a view to augment the accommodation for passengers travelling in unreserved coaches, more than 600 General Class coaches have been attached, in the Mail/Express trains operating with LHB (Linke Hofmann Busch) coaches, during the current financial year. Further, keeping in view increased demand, IR has planned to manufacture 10,000 non-AC Coaches including General Class and Sleeper Class Coaches.

Additionally, Indian Railways have introduced Amrit Bharat services, which have modern State-of-the-Art technology and are equipped with advanced features like Semi-Permanent couplers for jerk free travel, horizontal sliding windows, foldable snack table and bottle holders, mobile holders etc. These services, which are fully non-AC trains, presently comprising 12 Sleeper Class Coaches and 8 General Class coaches, are providing high quality services to the passengers.

However, as the Railway network straddles across State boundaries, trains are introduced as per network requirement, across such boundaries. To cater to the needs of the passengers of stations located in the State of Jharkhand, 41 pairs of train services have been introduced since 2014. This also includes 04 pairs of trains providing connection with the Delhi area. Besides, introduction of new trains is an ongoing process on Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, resource availability, etc.

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