GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 50 ANSWERED ON 07.02.2025

RAJDHANI EXPRESS CONNECTIVITY BETWEEN PUNE AND DELHI

*50 DR. MEDHA VISHRAM KULKARNI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether Government is aware that there is no Rajdhani Express connectivity between Pune and Delhi though the influx of passengers on this route is very high;
- (b) if so, whether Government has any proposal to introduce Rajdhani Express train between Pune and Delhi to cater to the needs of passengers, particularly business travellers and tourists;
- (c) if so, the details of the proposal including the expected timeline of introduction; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

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.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 50 BY DR. MEDHA VISHRAM KULKARNI ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 07.02.2025 REGARDING RAJDHANI EXPRESS CONNECTIVITY BETWEEN PUNE AND DELHI

(a) to (d) Rajdhani Express services normally connect the National Capital with the State Capitals. Presently, Pune is connected to the Delhi area by 08 pairs of train services, which includes 01 pair Duronto services, 07 pairs of Mail/Express services. Besides, to cater to the extra needs of passengers 01 pair of special train service is also being operated. Further, introduction of new train services, including Rajdhani train services, is an on-going process on Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, resource availability, etc.
