

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 600
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**CONNECTION OF BARKAKANA AND HAZARIBAGH RAILWAY LINE WITH BIG
AND SMALL CITIES**

600 # Shri Khiru Mahto:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any plan to connect Barkakana and Hazaribagh railway line with big and small cities of the country, keeping in view that Ramgarh area is associated with minerals;
- (b) if so, the timeline by when this plan will be initiated; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor and the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c) Ramgarh cantt. station is presently being served by 8 pairs of train services. Similarly, Barkakana-Hazaribagh Town sector is being served by 05 pairs of train services including 22349/22350 Patna-Ranchi Vande Bharat Express (w.e.f. 28.06.2023) and 22357/22358 Lokmanya Tilak (T)-Gaya Express (w.e.f. 23.10.2024) providing direct connectivity to important destinations like Mumbai, Ranchi, Patna, Gaya, etc. Besides, introduction of train services is an ongoing process on Indian Railways subject to operational feasibility, traffic justification, availability of resources etc.
