

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.615
ANSWERED ON 07.02.2025

ARRANGEMENTS BY RAILWAY FOR MAHA KUMBH MELA

615. SHRI ASHOKRAO SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has made adequate arrangements for the travel of pilgrims who are expected to visit Sangam Nagari Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh during Maha Kumbh Mela, 2025, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of special trains run/being run by Government for the said purpose;
- (c) whether present availability of trains is sufficient to meet the requirement of a large number of saints and seers, common pilgrims and tourists from across the globe; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the corrective measures taken/being taken by Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d) To cater to the needs of passengers and facilitate their journey during Maha Kumbh-2025, Indian Railways(IR) are providing over 200 rakes for operation of train services. IR is operating more than 13,500 train services. This is a significant increase from nearly 8,400 trains operated during the Kumbh-2019. Besides, for the first time, Ring Railway services connecting key religious sites like Ayodhya, Varanasi and Chitrakoot are being operated daily during Maha Kumbh-2025.
