

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

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DAILY OPERATION OF RANCHI-NEW DELHI GARIB RATH EXPRESS

767 # SHRI ADITYA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is considering plying the Ranchi-New Delhi/New Delhi-Ranchi Garib Rath Express (12877/12878) on a daily basis, which is presently plying three days a week;
- (b) if so, the likely time-frame; if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the current passenger demand and reservation position on the Ranchi-New Delhi route and whether the numbers justify daily operation?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c) At present, Ranchi-Delhi sector is being served by 07 pairs of train services, including 03 pairs of Rajdhani Express trains viz. 12453/12454 Ranchi-New Delhi Rajdhani Express (Weekly), 20839/20840 Ranchi-New Delhi Rajdhani Express (Bi-Weekly), 20407/20408 Ranchi-New Delhi Rajdhani Express (Weekly) which are operating on 4 days a week. On the remaining 3 days, 12877/12878 New Delhi-Ranchi Garib Rath Express is being operated on the same path.

Besides, increase in frequency of train services, including Garib Rath train services, is an on-going process over Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, availability of resources etc.

On Indian Railways, the demand pattern of reserved accommodation is not uniform throughout the year and it varies over lean and peak periods.
