

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2333**  
**ANSWERED ON 19.12.2025**

**STOPPAGE OF TRAINS AT KOTKAPURA JUNCTION**

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware that despite the ongoing upgradation of Kotkapura Railway Station under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme, Kotkapura (Faridkot) do not have the stoppage of key trains;
- (b) whether the Ministry will consider approving stoppage of trains numbers 19415/19416, 19107/19108, 20497/20498 and the upcoming Firozpur–Delhi Vande Bharat at Kotkapura Junction;
- (c) if so, the proposed timeline for granting these stoppages, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Ministry is planning to operate new trains in Punjab; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND  
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(a) to (e) Kotkapura station is presently being served by 18 pairs of train services (as listed below) which are providing connectivity to major cities like Delhi, Mumbai, Jammu Tawi, Agartala, Ahmedabad, Ajmer, Haridwar, Hazur Sahib Nanded, Amritsar etc.

S.N.	Train no. and name
1	12137/38 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj (T)-Firozpur Punjab Mail
2	14027/28 Jind-Firozpur Express
3	14507/08 Delhi-Fazilka Express
4	14619/20 Agartala-Firozpur Cantt. Express
5	14621/22 Hazur Sahib Nanded-Firozpur Express

6	14625/26 Haridwar-Firozpur Express
7	14729/30 Rewari-Fazilka Express
8	14803/04 Bhagat Ki Kothi-Jammu Tawi Express
9	19223/24 Sabarmati-Jammu Tawi Express
10	19611/12 Ajmer-Amritsar Express
11	20423/24 Seoni-Firozpur Cantt. Patalkot Express
12	54561/62 Bathinda-Firozpur Passenger
13	54563/64 Bathinda-Firozpur Passenger
14	54641/42 Bathinda-Firozpur Passenger
15	74981/82 Kot Kapura - Fazilka DEMU
16	74983/84 Kot Kapura-Fazilka DEMU
17	74985/86 Bathinda-Fazilka DEMU
18	74987/88 Bathinda-Fazilka DEMU

19415/16 Sabarmati- Sri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra Express, 19107/08 Bhavnagar(T)-Martyr Captain Tushar Mahajan (Udhampur) Express, 20497/98 Rameswaram-Firozpur Express and 26461/62 Firozpur-Delhi Vande Bharat Express have scheduled stoppage at Bathinda/Faridkot/Firozpur near Kotkapura.

Besides, provision of stoppages of train services depends on the traffic justification, operational feasibility including availability of extra time on the section & availability of matching infrastructure such as Platform length etc.

Further, as the railway network straddles across State boundaries, trains are introduced, as per network requirement, across such boundaries. However, during 2025-26 (upto 15th December, 2025) Indian Railways have introduced the following 07 pairs of train services (on originating/terminating basis), including 2 pairs of Vande Bharat services which cater the needs of the stations located in the State of Punjab:

SN	Train no. and name
1	26461/26462 Delhi - Firozpur Cantt. Vande Bharat Express
2	15135/15136 Chhapra-Amritsar Express
3	20989/20990 Udaipur City - Chandigarh Express
4	14627/14628 Saharsa - Chheharta (Amritsar) Amrit Bharat Express

5	26405/26406 Amritsar - Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra Vande Bharat Express
6	14625/14626 Haridwar - Firozpur Cantt. Express
7	14621/14622 Hazur Sahib Nanded - Firozpur Cantt. Express

Besides, introduction of new train services, which is an on-going process, depends on various factors which include:

- Capacity of that section
- Availability of path
- Availability of required rolling stock
- Availability of matching infrastructure for rolling stock
- Maintenance requirement of railway tracks and other assets

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