GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3243 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.03.2017

TRAINS TO CAPITAL CITIES

† 3243. DR. BANSHILAL MAHATO:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Rajdhani or Shatabdi Express trains are being run from New Delhi railway station to Capitals of all States everyday;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of capitals of States where there is no arrangement for such trains along with the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government proposes to run 12442 Rajdhani Express daily which is being run twice a week at present; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (c): No, Madam. At present, 21 States out of the 29 States are connected to Delhi by Rajdhani/Shatabdi Express. Out of these 21 States, 12 States are connected by daily Rajdhani Express trains and 6 States are connected by daily Shatabdi Express trains. The remaining 7 States are not connected to Delhi by either Rajdhani Express or Shatabdi Express owing to operational and resource constraints.

(d) & (e): Presently, there is no proposal to increase the frequency the 12441/12442 New Delhi-Bilaspur Rajdhani Express due to operational and resource constraints.