

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 566
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.02.2019**

KARTARPUR CORRIDOR

566. SHRI GURJEET SINGH AUJLA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to develop railway lines on the Kartarpur Corridor from Gurudaspur Sahib to International border;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government also proposes to double railway line between Amritsar to Pathankot and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the Railway is planning to provide new LHB coaches for trains originating from Amritsar to other destinations; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

- (a) & (b) At present, there is no proposal to develop railway lines on the Kartarpur Corridor from Gurudaspur Sahib to international border. Dera Baba Nanak station of Indian Railways, which provides connectivity to the Kartarpur Corridor, is presently being served with 4 DEMU (Diesel Electric Multiple Units) trains connecting it to Amritsar area.**

(c) There is no proposal to double the railway line between Amritsar to Pathankot at present.

(d)&(e) With a view to providing a more secure and safe journey, Indian Railways have decided to replace the rakes running with conventional ICF coaches with Linke Hofmann Busch (LHB) coaches in a phased manner. So far conventional rakes of 12 pairs of trains originating from/terminating at Amritsar have been replaced with LHB rakes. These are: 12407/08 Amritsar-New Jalpaiguri Karmabhoomi Express, 12411/12 Chandigarh-Amritsar Express, 22445/46 Kanpur-Amritsar Express, 12357/58 Kolkata-Amritsar Express, 12317/18 Kolkata-Amritsar Akal Takhat Express, 12715/16 Nanded-Amritsar Sachkhand Express, 22125/26 Nagpur-Amritsar Express, 12497/98 New Delhi-Amritsar Shan-E-Punjab Express, 12459/60 New Delhi-Amritsar Express, 12013/14 New Delhi-Amritsar Shatabdi Express, 12029/30 New Delhi-Amritsar Shatabdi Express and 12379/80 Sealdah-Amritsar Jalianwala Bagh Express.
