GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.104 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.12.2022

RESTORATION OF TRAIN OPERATIONS

†104. SHRI BASANTA KUMAR PANDA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the cancelled trains that used to stop at Narla Road, Rupra Road and Lanjigarh Road Stations during Corona are likely to be restarted/re-operated at all the said railway stations;
- (b) if so, the time by which all the said trains are likely to be resumed;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government is considering to stop Samta Express, Puri-Ahmedabad Express, Korba-Vishakhapatnam train and Tirupati-Bilaspur train at Nuapada Railway Station; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c) To provide better passenger safety by creating maintenance corridor blocks, minimizing conflicts in existing time table etc., Indian Railways had undertaken rationalization of time

table (including that of stoppages) in a scientific manner with the assistance of IIT-Bombay. Since November-2021, Mail/Express services are being operated as per rationalized time table and stoppages. To cater to the needs of passengers of Norla Road and Rupra Road, stoppage of 3 pairs of trains at Norla Road station and 2 pairs of trains at Rupra Road have been provided w.e.f. 14.05.2022. Further, at present, Lanjigarh Road station is being adequately served by 05 pairs of train services. Besides, provision of stoppages is an on-going process on Indian Railways subject to operational feasibility and commercial justification etc.

(d) & (e) Stoppages of 12843/44 Puri-Ahmedabad Express, 18517/18 Korba-Viskhapatnam Express & 17481/82 Bilaspur-Tirupati Express have been provided at Nawapara Road w.e.f. 23.08.2022.
