

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2421
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.03.2023**

DIRECT TRAIN SERVICE FROM DIBRUGARH TO JAGDALPUR

†2421. SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether more than 45 lacs Odia people live in Assam and most of them hails from the western part of Odisha, if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether these people especially the old persons, women and children face a lot of difficulties during their journey from Assam to Odisha and vice-versa on account of non-availability of direct train facility/route from Assam to the Western part of Odisha, if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to start a direct train from Dibrugarh (Assam) to Jagdalpur (Odisha) via Rangapara-Rangiya-Sambalpur-Titlagarh; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d) Indian Railways do not operate train services on State-wise/ Region-wise basis as railway network straddles across State/Regional boundaries. At present, there is no immediate proposal for introduction of a direct train service between Dibrugarh and Jagdalpur. However, introduction of train service is an on-going process on Indian Railways, which *inter alia* depends on operational feasibility, commercial viability, and resource availability.
