

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2497
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.03.2023**

SURVEY OF NEW RAILWAY LINES IN SIRSA, HARYANA

2497. SHRIMATI SUNITA DUGGAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any proposals for survey and construction of new rail lines and allocation of new trains/train stoppages in the Parliamentary constituency of Sirsa, Haryana for various inter-state or intra-state routes/connectivity since 2019 till 2022 and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government has current status report on the above proposals for this constituency; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2497 BY SHRIMATI SUNITA DUGGAL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 15.03.2023 REGARDING SURVEY OF NEW RAILWAY LINES IN SIRSA, HARYANA

(a) to (c) Proposals/demands for new railway lines, both formal as well as informal, are received from State Governments, Ministries of Central Government, elected representatives, organizations/Rail users etc. by Railways at various levels i.e. Railway Board, Zonal Railways and Divisional Headquarters, etc. As receipt of such proposal/demands is a continuous and dynamic process, centralized compendium of such requests is not maintained. Further, railway projects are not surveyed/sanctioned State wise as the projects may span across State boundaries.

The Railway projects are sanctioned Zonal Railway-wise and not State-wise/constituency-wise as the projects may spans across State boundaries. However, since 2018-19 to 2021-22 and current financial year, 8 nos. of new line surveys of total length of 262 km falling fully/partly in State of Haryana have been sanctioned.

Representations, including that from the Hon'ble Member of Parliament, have been received for providing better connectivity to the passengers of Sirsa station and stoppage of train services. These have been considered and following have been given effect to

- 1. Extension of 12555/56 Gorakhpur-Hisar Gorakhdham Express up to Bhatinda (via Sirsa) w.e.f. 14.07.2022.**
- 2. Stoppage of 04571 Bhiwani-Dhuri Passenger at Jamalpur Shaikhan w.e.f. 05.03.2022.**
- 3. Stoppage of 04572 Dhuri-Sirsa Passenger at Jamalpur Shaikhan w.e.f. 05.03.2022.**
- 4. Stoppage of 04575/045765 Ludhiana-Hisar Passenger at Jamalpur Shaikhan w.e.f. 05.03.2022.**

5. Stoppage of 19225/26 Jammu Tawi-Jodhpur Express at Mandi Dabwali w.e.f. 22.05.2022.

6. Stoppage of 12421/22 Huzur Sahib Nanded-Amritsar Express at Narwana w.e.f. 23.05.2022.

7. Stoppage of 20409/10 Delhi-Bhatinda Express at Narwana w.e.f. 19.09.2022.

Besides, introduction of new trains, extension of existing trains and provision of stoppages in existing trains is an ongoing process on Indian Railways, subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, commercial viability, availability of resources, etc.
