

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4810  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.03.2023**

**NORMS/PARAMETERS OF STOPPAGES OF TRAINS**

**† 4810. SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

**(a) whether any norms/parameters have been prescribed by the Railway Board for providing stoppages of trains and if so, the details thereof along with the details of time since when those are in vogue;**

**(b) whether the Government proposes to change the prevailing norms keeping in mind the present requirements and the wider public interest and if so, the time by which it is likely to be done;**

**(c) whether in the light of the meeting held with the General Manager, North-Western Railway in the Divisional Railway Users Consultative Committee with regard to provision of stoppages of proposed trains by relaxing the concerned norms and keeping in view the long pending demand of the public, the Government proposes to approve the stoppages of these trains for 06 months on experimental basis without any further delay, i.e. Train No. 22987-22988 Ajmer Agra Fort Intercity, Train No. 15715-15716 Garib Nawaz Express, Train No.19333-19334, Train No.19269- 19270 Motihari Express (Porbandar-Muzaffarpur) and Train No. 12915-12916 Ashram Express at Kishangarh railway station of Ajmer parliamentary constituency and Train No. 19665-19666 Khajuraho-Udaipur City and Train No. 20973-20974 Humsafar Express at Vijay Nagar Railway Station and Train Number 14801- 14802 Jodhpur-Indore Express at Bandanwara railway station;**

**(d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be started and if not, the reasons therefor;**

**(e) the zones of the North-Western Railway in which the stoppages of trains of the stations were approved during the last three years, train/ station-wise; and**

**(f) the details of the norms on the basis of which the said approvals were given?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

**(a) to (f) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.**

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4810 BY SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 29.03.2023 REGARDING NORMS/PARAMETERS OF STOPPAGES OF TRAINS**

**(a) to (f) The criteria relating to provision of stoppages of trains was formulated during the year 2005, which have been revised from time to time, last revision being made in August, 2022, stipulates to consider the following factors:**

- 1) Total sale of tickets at the station for both UP and DN direction for all the trains already stopping at the station, distance wise, class-wise and cost-wise**
- 2) trains already stopping/availability of alternative services, convenience and occupancy of the existing services**
- 3) effect on line capacity of the section and punctuality of trains**
- 4) population and significance of towns/cities and new developments taking place**
- 5) nature of the train and occupancy of the train for which stoppage is demanded**
- 6) operational constraints etc.**
- 7) pattern of traffic at the station**
- 8) passing time of the train at the station**

**Request for provision of stoppage of train services, received primarily from the Public representatives, are examined and depending on operational feasibility and commercial justification, provision of stoppages is provided, which is an on-going process on Indian Railways. Accordingly, under the jurisdiction of North Western Railway, during the period 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2020 to 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2023, 76 experimental stoppages at 31 stations have been provided: Dabla (01), Phulera (01), Gotan (02), Beawar (02), Anupshahr (02), Rajeldesar (02), Talchhapar (02), Parihara (02), Mandi Dabwali (02), Sidhmukh (02), Khinaniyan (02), Tulwara Jhil (02), Dhanera (02), Shri Madhopur (02), Chomun Samod (02), Renwal (02), Dholipal (02), Naraina (02), Somesar (02), Raila Road (02), Hamirgarh (02), Kanakpura (02), Gangrar (02), Dausa (02), Baswa (02), Kalanaur Kalan (04), Sendra (04), Degana (04), Jawai Bandh (04), Asalpur Jobner (06) and Luni (06). Further, instructions have been issued *inter alia* for experimental stoppage of 19333/34 Indore-Bikaner Mahamana Express at Kishangarh (w.e.f. 26.03.2023).**

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