

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2181
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2023**

RAILWAY WORKS

†2181. SHRI AJAY KUMAR MANDAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received proposals/requests from East and East Central Railway Zones with regard to railway works/rail operations/ changing of railway routes during the last three years;**
- (b) if so, the proposal/request/year-wise details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government has also received proposals/requests especially with regard to the inclusion of Bhagalpur in the route of Agartala Rajadhani express and providing stoppage of Agartala Rajdhani express, 20501/20502 at Bhagalpur station;**
- (d) if so, whether the proposal on this issue was given to the railway board in 2022 also;**
- (e) if so, the reaction of the Government and the action taken so far on these requests/proposals;**
- (f) the reasons behind the pendency of the proposal for providing stoppage of Agartala Rajdhani, 20501/20502 at Bhagalpur station; and**
- (g) whether it is a fact that the said stoppage is likely to add to the revenue of the Railways, if so, the time by which it is likely to be done?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2181 BY SHRI AJAY KUMAR MANDAL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 02.08.2023 REGARDING RAILWAY WORKS

(a) to (g) : Proposals are received on the basis of demands raised by State Governments, Central Ministries, Members of Parliament, other public representatives, and Railway's own requirements. As receipt of such proposals/suggestions is a continuous and dynamic process, centralized compendium of such requests is not maintained. However, during last three years i.e. from 2020-21 to 2022-23 and current financial year i.e. 2023-24, 39 Surveys (05 New Line and 34 Doubling) covering 1,399 Km length under Eastern Railway and 44 Surveys (19 New Line and 25 Doubling) covering 1,777 Km length under East Central Railway have been sanctioned.

Proposal for operation of 20501/20502 Agartala-Anand Vihar (T) Tejas Rajdhani Express via Bhagalpur has been received. Receipt of proposals from Zonal Railways and action/decision thereon is an on-going process, subject to operational feasibility, traffic justification, competing demands etc.
