## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3378 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2023

#### **NEW TRAIN SERVICES**

†3378. SHRI MAHABALI SINGH: SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA: SHRI RAVI KISHAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the criteria set for starting new train services on any route;
- (b) the reasons behind not starting new railway services on Delhi-Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Dehri on Sone route and Delhi-Gorakhpur-Barauni connecting Bihar despite having daily wait list of more than 300 passengers on these routes; and
- (c) the corrective measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

#### **ANSWER**

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

### (SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c) At present, Delhi-Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyaya-Dehri on Sone sector is being served by 10 pairs of Mail/Express trains while Delhi-Gorakhpur-Barauni sector is being served by 06 pairs of Mail/Express trains. On Indian Railways (IR) demand pattern of reserved accommodation is not uniform throughout the year and varies over lean and peak periods. IR constantly monitors the wait-list position of trains and demand and subject to operational feasibility and availability of resources endeavours to provide additional accommodation and enhance the carrying capacity, by augmenting the load of train services both on temporary and permanent basis, extending and increasing the frequency of existing services, operating special train services, and introducing new train services. These are on-going processes.

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