

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3424
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2023**

STATISTICS REGARDING VANDE BHARAT TRAINS

3424. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any statistics regarding the number of Vande Bharat Trains run by the Railways so far;

(b) if so, the number of routes on which Vande Bharat Trains are plying and the average income generated including the revenue generated by Trivandrum - Kannur and Kannur - Trivandrum line;

(c) whether the existing railway tracks are suitable for Vande Bharat Trains to use its maximum speed;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, whether the Government will consider taking steps to use maximum speed of Vande Bharat Trains?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (e) As on 03rd August, 2023, 50 Vande Bharat train services are running across the Indian Railways, connecting states having Broad Gauge (B.G.) electrified network. These are operational on New Delhi-Varanasi, New Delhi – Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra, Mumbai Central-Gandhinagar Capital, New Delhi-Amb Andaura, MGR Chennai-Mysuru, Bilaspur-Nagpur, Howrah-New Jalpaiguri, Visakhapatnam-

Secunderabad, Mumbai- Sri Sainagar Shirdi, Mumbai-Solapur, Rani Kamlapati-Nizamuddin, Secunderabad-Tirupati, MGR Chennai-Coimbatore, Ajmer-Delhi Cantt., Kasaragod - Thiruvananthapuram, Howrah-Puri, Anand Vihar(T)- Dehradun, New Jalpaiguri -Guwahati, CSMT-Madgaon, Indore-Bhopal, Jabalpur-Rani Kamlapati, KSR Bengaluru City-Dharwad, Patna-Ranchi, Gorakhpur-Lucknow, Jodhpur-Ahmedabad (Sabarmati) sectors. On Indian Railways train-wise revenue is not maintained.

Maintenance, Renewal and Upgradation of track on any section is taken up based on the speed potential of the section decided by classification of route. Trains are introduced at the Maximum Permissible Speed based on the sectional speed of the section depending upon classification. Accordingly, all the Vande Bharat Express have been charted at the Maximum Permissible speed of the sections enroute so as to optimally utilise the speed potential of the Vande Bharat Coaches. Besides, speeding of train services is an on-going process on Indian Railways.
