

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1797
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13/12/2023**

SCIENCE EXPRESS

1797. SHRIMATI SUNITA DUGGAL:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has restarted the 'Science Express' train since the aftermath of COVID-19 and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (b) whether the Government plans to introduce more 'Science Express' trains to educate students/people about issues like air pollution, green energy and climate change and if so, the details thereof?**

**A N S W E R
MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR THE
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
(DR. JITENDRA SINGH)**

**विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्रालय के राज्यमंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)
(डॉ. जितेंद्र सिंह)**

- (a) The Government of India has not started the 'Science Express' train since the aftermath of COVID-19.**
- (b) The Government of India has several initiatives to educate students/people at large i.e Mobile Science Lab, Mobile Science Exhibition, STEMM Bike, Jigyasa, Science Communication, Popularisation and Extension (SCoPE) program etc. These initiatives are reaching out to more than 2 million students/people across the country annually, educating them on new and emerging areas like Energy, Health, Artificial Intelligence, Climate Change, Water Conservation, Disaster Mitigation and Agro-technologies, apart from demonstrating experimental hands on activities in STEM education. As these programs are fulfilling the objectives of 'Science Express' to inculcate scientific temperament among masses, the Government of India currently does not have any plan to introduce more 'Science Express' trains.**