

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1817
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2023**

HIGHER FARES IN VANDE BHARAT TRAINS

**†1817. SHRI DINESH CHANDRA YADAV:
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is charging fares from passengers in Vande Bharat trains at a rate which is even more than 1.5 times the fares being charged in the Shatabdi Express trains and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government has renamed the Shatabdi Express trains and are running these as Vande Bharat trains and if so, the details in this regard;**
- (c) whether the Government is running the Rajdhani Express trains by renaming it as Tejas and is charging more fare from the passengers; and**
- (d) if so, details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1817 BY SHRI DINESH CHANDRA YADAV AND SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 13.12.2023 REGARDING HIGHER FARES IN VANDE BHARAT TRAINS

(a) & (b): No, Sir. Vande Bharat Express is a different type of train from Shatabdi Express. It is a new technology and has improved facilities like faster acceleration and semi high speed, better ride comfort, automatic plug doors etc.

(c) & (d): No, Sir. Tejas Rajdhani Express is a different type of train from Rajdhani Express. It has improved facilities like electro-pneumatic assisted brakes, automatic entrance plug type door, re-designated e-leather upholstery in seats, passenger information system and digital destination board, fire and smoke detection system, provision of CCTVs cameras etc.
