

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 646
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.11.2019**

EXPANSION OF BHANDARA ROAD RAILWAY STATION

†646. SHRI SUNIL BABURAO MENDHE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plans for the development and expansion of Bhandara Road Railway Station of Maharashtra;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said work is likely to be completed;**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide stoppage to Bilaspur Rajdhani and other trains at Bhandara Road Railway Station;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a)&(b) : Minimum Essential Amenities as well as desirable amenities as per norms have already been provided at this station. Bhandara Road station has also been developed as Adarsh station.

(c)to(e): Rajdhani Express services are premium class services with very limited stoppages enroute. Stoppage of 12441/12442 Bilaspur – New Delhi Rajdhani Express at Bhandara Road station is neither operationally feasible nor commercially justified. Besides, 3 pairs of express services provide connectivity for Delhi area to the passengers of Bhandara Road.
