

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1666  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.09.2020**

**NEW TRAINS IN BIHAR**

**1666. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of the new trains proposed to be introduced/have been introduced by the Government in the state of Bihar during the last two years; and**
- (b) the details of the number of persons benefited therefrom?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY**

**(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

**(a) Indian Railways (IR) does not operate train services on State-wise basis as its network straddles across various State boundaries. At present, all regular passenger train services are cancelled in view of the COVID-19 pandemic. Based on status of COVID-19 in various parts of the country, some special trains have been introduced. IR is continuously coordinating with the State Governments and monitoring status of COVID-19 in various parts of the country and additional special trains will be introduced based on request. However, during the last two years (2018-19 & 2019-20), 21 pairs of train services**

**servicing the stations located in the State of Bihar on originating/terminating basis have been introduced. Besides, introduction of trains is an on-going process on Indian Railways subject to operational feasibility, traffic demand, availability of resources, etc.**

**(b) State-wise statistics of number of passengers is not maintained. However, the year-wise details of number of passengers booked on East Central Railway which primarily serves the State of Bihar is as under:-**

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Number of passengers booked (in millions)</b>
<b>2018-19</b>	<b>249.53</b>
<b>2019-20</b>	<b>238.80</b>

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