

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1529
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.02.2021**

SPECIAL TRAINS IN TELANGANA

1529. SHRI PASUNOORI DAYAKAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the actual demands of each Zone and State for additional special trains during COVID-19 situation particularly from Telangana; and

(b) the future action plan for southern States while allotting trains to meet the actual demand of passengers especially on busy routes?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION**

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b) During 1st May, 2020 to 31st August, 2020, Indian Railways operated 4621 Shramik Specials trains which were “trains on demand” on mission mode based on the requests of State Governments. All the demands placed by sending States were met promptly. 166 Shramik Special trains were operated from stations located in the State of Telangana.

Besides, Indian Railways, in consultation with State Governments, is gradually enhancing the number of special trains

across the country and have operationalized 2024 Special Mail/Express trains (including Festival Specials) and approximately 5580 Passenger/ Electric Multiple Unit(EMU)/Mainline Electric Multiple Unit(MEMU). Furthermore, Indian Railways is closely monitoring the prevailing situation as also the waitlist position of special trains and is operating clone trains on routes where unsatiated demand exists.
