

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2564  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.03.2021**

**NEW TRAIN FROM TIRUNELVELI**

**2564. SHRI S. VENKATESAN:**

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

**(a) whether the Government proposes to operate a new train with the name of Thamirabarani Daily Express from Tirunelveli to Tambaram via Tenkasi, Madurai to provide first time connection from Ambasamudram/ Pavurchutram to Chennai; and**

**(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

**(a) & (b) Prior to discontinuation of regular passenger carrying trains w.e.f 23.03.2020, 5 pairs of trains served the Tenkasi-Tirunelveli sector. Similarly, 3 pairs of train served the Tenkasi-Chennai sector. Introduction of direct train between Tirunelveli and Tambaram via Tenkasi, Madurai is not feasible, at present, due to operational and resource constraints. However, introduction of trains is an ongoing process on Indian Railways subject to operational feasibility, traffic demand and availability of resources etc.**