GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 437 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.02.2021

RE-ROUTING OF TRAINS

437. SHRI PALLAB LOCHAN DAS:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to re-route train number 20505/06-New Delhi-Dibrugarh-New Delhi bi-weekly Rajdhani express *via* the Bogibeel bridge and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Biswanath Chariali Railway Station at the headquarter of Biswanath district, has been not included for the halt/stoppage of the new Rajdhani Express; and

(c) if so the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (c) To prevent the spread of COVID-19 pandemic, Indian Railways has discontinued all regular passengers carrying trains including 20505/20506 New Delhi-Dibrugarh Rajdhani Express w.e.f. 23rd March, 2020. Presently, only special trains, with limited stoppages, keeping in view the concerns and suggestions of State Governments are being operated. Accordingly, 20505/20506 New Delhi-Dibrugarh Rajdhani Special Express is presently being operated with limited stoppages and this train is not having stoppage at Vishwanath Charali station. However, decision has been taken to reroute 20505/20506 New Delhi-Dibrugarh Rajdhani Express via Bogibeel Bridge.

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