

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4727  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.03.2021**

**FREQUENCY OF SAMTA EXPRESS**

**†4727. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:**

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to run Samta Express once in a week from Jagdalpur to Delhi via Raipur in order to provide direct benefit of rail facilities to North Indians;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the details of the trains being run from tribal dominated Bastar to Delhi;**
- (d) whether there is no direct train from Delhi to the said place; and**
- (e) if so, whether the Government is going to consider running Samta Express once in a week for this place?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

**(a) to (e) Owing to operational and resource constraints including non-availability of infrastructural facilities at Jagdalpur, there is no immediate proposal to operate 12807/12808 Visakhapatnam-H. Nizamuddin Samta Express from Jagdalpur via Raipur. However, passengers of Jagdalpur area desirous of travelling to Delhi may do so by suitable changeover at Visakhapatnam/Rayagada. Besides, introduction/extension of train services over Indian Railways is an ongoing process subject to operational feasibility, traffic demand, availability of resources, etc.**

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