

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2501
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2022**

PILGRIM SPECIAL TRAIN

†2501. SHRI RAMESHBHAI LAVJIBHAI DHADUK:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether daily trains have been provided for the pilgrim of Saurashtra area of Gujarat to travel to Haridwar;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;**
- (c) whether the Government is taking steps to provide new trains from various parts of the country to Porbandar; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) and (b) At present, 19565/66 Okha-Dehradun Express(Weekly) is available between Okha & Haridwar.

(c) and (d) Presently, Porbandar is served by 06 pairs of trains which connect it *inter-alia* to stations like Mumbai, Delhi, Lucknow, Kolkata, Secunderabad, Madgaon, Thiruvananthapuram etc. At present, there is no proposal for introduction of new train service(s) from Porbandar. However, introduction of train services is an on-going process on Indian Railways, subject to operational feasibility, commercial justification, competing demands etc.
