

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3412
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.03.2022**

EXTENTION OF GORAKHDHAM SUPERFAST EXPRESS

3412. SHRIMATI SUNITA DUGGAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has received any request for the extension of 12555/56 Gorakhdham Superfast upto Sirsa using lie-over as there is no daily train service available for Delhi from Sirsa in between 06.30am to 02.55pm, i.e., almost 20.30 hours;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken so far;**
- (c) whether the Ministry has planned to introduce new train service between Sirsa to Delhi in evening time due to increasing public demand; and**
- (d) if so, the details in this regard?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) and (b) Representations, including that from the Hon'ble Member of Parliament, have been received for extension of 12555/56 Gorakhpur-Hisar Gorakhdham Express upto Sirsa. These have been examined, but not found operationally feasible, at present. However, extension of existing train services is an ongoing process on Indian Railways, subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, commercial viability, availability of resources, etc.

(c) and (d) At present, Sirsa-Delhi sector is being served by 03 pairs of Mail/Express services including the service of 14620 Firozpur-Agartala Express departing Sirsa station at 17:07 hours. Owing to operational constraints including terminal constraints at Delhi, there is no immediate proposal for introduction of new train between Delhi and Sirsa. However, introduction of new train services is an ongoing process on Indian Railways.
