GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1823 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.07.2022

RESTARTING OF TRAINS

† 1823. SHRI BHARATSINHJI SHANKARJI DABHI :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether suggestions have been received in the Ministry for restarting the trains which were withdrawn in his Constituency during lockdown due to Covid-19;
- (b) if so, the number of trains which have been resumed till date; and
- (c) if not, the reasons for not resuming the service of trains and the time by which all trains are likely to be resumed?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) and (c) To contain the spread of COVID 19 pandemic, Indian Railways had discontinued all regular passenger carrying trains w.e.f. 23rd March, 2020. Since November 2021, Mail/Express trains are being operated with regular number and as per rationalized time table. As on 20.07.2022, on a daily average basis, 9823 trains which include 1882 Mail/Express trains, 5651 Suburban trains and 2290 Passenger trains were operated over Indian Railways. Besides, passenger train services are being restored in a phased manner, subject to operational feasibility and commercial justification.
