

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2955  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2022**

**MANGALORE TO RAMESHWARAM TRAIN CONNECTIVITY**

**2955. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:**

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

- (a) whether the Government plans to bring train connectivity between Mangalore and Rameshwaram and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government plans to extend Bangalore-Kannur Express to Kozhikode and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government maintains the list of new trains granted to various States since 2019 and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;**
- (d) whether the Government plans to run Vande Bharat trains between Trivandrum and Kozhikode and if so, the details in this regard; and**
- (e) whether the Government proposes to run any private train between Kozhikode and Trivandrum and Kozhikode and Mangalore, if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND  
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

**(a) and (b) No, Sir. At present, there are no such immediate proposals under consideration. However, introduction and extension of train services is an ongoing process.**

**(c) Indian Railways do not run train services, on State-wise basis as railway network straddles across state boundaries. However, number of train services introduced during the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 to 31<sup>st</sup> April 2022 is as under:**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of train services introduced</b>
<b>2019-20</b>	<b>109</b>
<b>2020-21</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>2021-22</b>	<b>60</b>

**(d) No, Sir. At present, there is no such proposal. However, operation of more Vande Bharat trains, over Indian Railways network, is subject to operational feasibility, commercial justification and availability of rolling stock.**

**(e) At present, there is no proposal to operate regular train services, including those between Kozhikode and Thiruvananthapuram/Mangalore by private train operator(s).**

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