

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 619
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.07.2022**

BHARAT GAURAV TRAINS

619. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has proposed for Bharat Gaurav trains to cover the heritage and holy places of the country;**
- (b) if so, the detail of routes that have been started by both Government and private sector therein;**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to run Bharat Gaurav trains in the regular routes of the Indian Railways; and**
- (d) if so, the details of plan for substituting regular rakes in the next two years ?**

ANSWER

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

(a) : Yes, Sir. The Ministry of Railways have issued the 'Bharat Gaurav Trains' policy with the objective to showcase India's rich cultural heritage and magnificent historical places to the people of India and the world through Bharat Gaurav Trains (theme based tourist circuit trains).

(b) : So far, two Bharat Gaurav trains have been operated with the following itinerary:

- (i) Coimbatore-Mantralayam-Shirdi-Coimbatore**
- (ii) Delhi Safdarjung-Ayodhya-Buxar-Janakpur (Nepal)-Varanasi-Nasik-Hospet-Rameshwaram- Kanchipuram-Bhadrachalam Road-Delhi Safdarjung**

(c) : No, Sir. The Government does not propose to run Bharat Gaurav trains in the regular routes of Indian Railways.

(d) : Does not arise.

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