

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1413
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.07.2024**

EXTENSION OF VAISHALI EXPRESS TO SUPAUL

†1413 SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to extend the Train No.12553/12554 (Vaishali express) to Supaul, which runs between New Delhi-Saharsa, to and fro;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to extend the train No.12567/12568 (Rajya Rani Express) to Supaul, which runs between Saharsa-Rajendra Nagar, to and fro;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) if not, whether the Government proposes to operate trains from Supaul to Patna and Supaul to Delhi and the details thereof; and

(f) whether the Government proposes to resume the earlier stoppage of train numbers 13211/13212 and 13213/13214 at Pratapganj railway station in Samastipur Division of East Central Railway and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (e) Supaul is presently being served by 01 pair of Mail/Express service and 06 pairs of Passenger services including 05279/05280 Saharsa-Supaul DEMU introduced w.e.f. 16.07.2024. For availing long distance trains, inter-alia trains bound for Delhi/Patna,

passengers may avail changeover at Saharsa station. Besides, extension of existing trains/introduction of new trains is an ongoing process over Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, resource availability etc.

(f) Pratapganj station is presently being served by 02 pairs of DEMU services viz. 05579/05580 Darbhanga-Forbesganj DEMU Special and 05515/05516 Forbesganj-Saharsa DEMU Special. Besides, provision of stoppage of trains is an ongoing process over Indian Railways.
