

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1420
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.07.2024**

VANDE BHARAT TRAINS FROM AZAMGARH TO DELHI

†1420 SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to start Vande Bharat trains from Azamgarh and other districts of Purvanchal region in Uttar Pradesh to Delhi;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government has decided to conduct a feasibility study of any railway station for upgradation of station infrastructure meant for high speed passenger trains operational in Azamgarh district of Uttar Pradesh; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) and (b) As on 24th July, 2024, 102 Vande Bharat train services are running across Indian Railways, connecting all States having Broad Gauge (B.G.) electrified network, of which 14 services are catering to the needs of passengers of stations located in the State of Uttar Pradesh. However, as the Railway network straddles across State/District/regional boundaries, trains services are introduced, as per network requirement, across such boundaries.

Azamgarh station is presently being served by 16 pairs of train services, providing connectivity to important places like Delhi, Varanasi, Mumbai, Ahmedabad, Gorakhpur, Ayodhya, Lucknow and Kolkata. Besides, introduction of new train services including Vande Bharat services, is an on-going process on Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, resource availability, etc.

(c) and (d) 1324 number of stations have been identified for upgradation under the Amrit Bharat Scheme. Also, 2764 route km railway lines are being upgraded for Semi-High Speed operation.
