

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1428
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.07.2024**

**BI-WEEKLY TRAIN SERVICE OF ERNAKULAM JUCTION-KOLLAM-
VELANKANNY TRAIN**

1428 SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to convert the bi-weekly train service of Ernakulam junction-Kollam-Velankanny Express train to a daily service;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government has received any representation for the same from State Government and passenger associations; and**
- (d) if so, the details of action taken thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d) To cater to the needs of Ernakulam-Kollam-Velankanni sector, the bi-weekly service of 16361/16362 Ernakulam-Velankanni Express has been introduced w.e.f 25.09.2023. Representations have been received for increase in frequency of 16361/16362 Ernakulam-Velankanni Express from bi-weekly to daily. Increase in frequency of trains is an on-going process on Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility and availability of resources etc.
