GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 127 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.12.2024

REVENUE GENERATED AND LOSSES INCURRED IN VANDE BHARAT TRAIN

*127. SHRI RAJEEV RAI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of revenue generation or losses incurred in running the Vande Bharat train between New Delhi and Varanasi railway stations during the last three years;
- (b) the break-up of revenue generated/losses incurred by this train at each stoppage stations during the last three years;
- (c) the details of passenger occupancy and commercial viability in running of this train between Kanpur and Varanasi railway stations;
- (d) whether the Government is considering to extend the route of this train beyond Varanasi to its surrounding districts to improve its commercial viability; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 127 BY SHRI RAJEEV RAI TO BE ANSWAERED IN LOK SABHA ON 04.12.2024 REGARDING REVENUE GENERATED AND LOSSES INCURRED IN VANDE BHARAT TRAIN

(a) to (e) Presently, New Delhi-Varanasi sector is being served by 27 pairs of train services, including 02 pairs of Vande Bharat services. Besides, extension of train services is an ongoing process on Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, resource availability, etc.

During 2024-25 (upto October, 2024) the overall occupancy of Vande Bharat Express Trains serving passengers between Kanpur and Varanasi was 113.78%. This train is commercially viable due to high occupancy.
