# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

#### **LOK SABHA**

# UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1479 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.12.2024

## ADDITIONAL HALTING OF PADMAVATHI EXPRESS AT BHONGIR 1479. SHRI CHAMALA KIRAN KUMAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the Padmavathi Express (12764) does not halt at Bhongir, causing significant inconvenience for local passengers, especially pilgrims;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is considering for adding halts for the Machilipatnam-Bidar Train (12749) at Bhongir, Allair and Jangoan to cater to local commuters;
- (c) the reasons for the rescheduling of the Kakatiya Express (17660) to arrive at 4 a.m. at Bhongir and the timings proposed to be adjusted for morning commuters, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether there are plans to restore or increase the frequency to meet the commuting needs of students and employees, given the frequency of the Secunderabad-Warangal Push-Pull train (67264) was reduced, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government to improve the frequency and accessibility of trains in Bhongir, Allair and Jangoan to ensure better transportation options for local residents?

### **ANSWER**

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

## (SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (e) Bhongir and Aler stations are presently being served by 26 and 22 train services respectively. Similarly, Jangaon station is served by 34 train services including 12749/12750 Machilipatnam-Bidar Express. Further, 67264 (new number 07462) Secunderabad-Warangal MEMU is in operation w.e.f 01.11.2024. As a part of rationalisation of Time Table, timings of Kakatiya Fast Passenger (train no. 57626), has been revised. Presently, 07757 Kazipet-

Secunderabad MEMU which leaves Bhongir at 07:05 hrs and arrives Secunderabad 08:45 hrs, is catering to the needs of morning commuters. Besides, increase in frequency and stoppages of train services are an ongoing processes on Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility etc.

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