GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 379 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.11.2024

HIGH SPEED TRAIN AT DARBHANGA STATION

†379 SHRI GOPAL JEE THAKUR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether high speed train facility to bigger cities is not available at Darbhanga station despite being the highest revenue generating station in Samastipur Railway Division, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to run Vande Bharat trains from Darbhanga to Delhi via Sitamarhi and Ayodhyadham and from Darbhanga to Kolkata which will facilitate the people in commuting and also save the time; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c): Presently, Mumbai-Ahmedabad High Speed Rail (MAHSR) Project is the only sanctioned project of High Speed Rail in India which is under execution.

Darbhanga is presently being served by 54 pairs of train services which include 04 pairs of trains connecting it to Delhi and 08 pairs of train services connecting it to Kolkata for different classes with facilities for Divyangjan Passengers.

To cater to the needs of passenger of Darbhanga-Sitamarhi-Ayodhya Dham-Delhi sector, the Amrit Bharat service viz. 15557/58 Darbhanga-Anand Vihar (T) Express was introduced w.e.f. 01-01-2024.

Introduction of train services including Vande Bharat trains is an ongoing process on Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, availability of resources etc.
