

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 391
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.11.2024**

VANDE BHARAT EXPRESS TRAIN FOR LUCKNOW - DELHI - KOLKATA

†391 SHRI VIRENDRA SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of district headquarters in the country which are connected to railway lines but no major trains are being operated from the said district headquarters;

(b) whether the Government proposes to run any train with good facilities like Vande Bharat Express train from Lucknow to Delhi and Kolkata via Chandauli (Majhwar) Station in district Chandauli in Uttar Pradesh which has been a district headquarters for about 27 years;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d) As the Railway network straddles across State and District boundaries, trains are introduced, as per network requirement across such boundaries. Chandauli Majhwar is located at a distance of 16 km from Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyay station, which is well connected to both Delhi area and Kolkata area. Further, Lucknow - Delhi sector is being served by 54 pairs of regular Mail/Express train services and 12 pairs of Special trains, while Lucknow is connected to Kolkata by 14 pairs of Mail/Express train services and 01 pair of Special train. Furthermore, introduction of train services, including Vande Bharat services, is an ongoing process on Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, resource availability, etc.
