# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3146 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.03.2025

#### NON-AVAILABILITY OF TRAINS FROM THAWE JUNCTION

### 3146. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

## Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that more than 150 buses are plight for metropolitan cities due to non-availability of train services from the Thawe junction, if so, the measures taken by the Government to stop railway revenue loss;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the Government is not taking into consideration of the long standing demand of trains from the Thawe junction to various metropolitan cities, if not, the steps taken in this regard;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the Thawe junction was initially proposed for making a zonal office, if so, the details of the steps taken in this direction; and
- (d) whether the Government is aware about the nexus between Railway officials and private bus operators causing non-availability of train services for metropolitan cities, if so, the details of measures taken?

#### **ANSWER**

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

## (SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d) At present, Thawe Junction is being served by 06 Mail/Express and 22 Passenger services providing connectivity to the passengers of Thawe *inter alia* for destinations like Siwan, Patliputra, Gorakhpur, Lucknow etc. Further, passengers of Thawe may also avail changeover at Siwan (28 km from Thawe), which is well connected to major stations of the country. Besides, Indian Railways, subject to operational feasibility, traffic justification, competing demands, etc., constantly endeavours to provide connectivity between stations. Factors, including lack/ non-availability of infrastructural facilities at originating/terminating stations, as in the case of Thawe, precludes introduction of long distance trains therefrom.