

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4173
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.03.2025**

SPECIAL TRAINS FOR MAHAKUMBH 2025

†4173. SHRI TANUJ PUNIA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

the details of number of special train service from various States cancelled during Mahakumbh along with the number of passengers affected due to the same?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

Indian Railways, subject to operational feasibility, traffic justification etc., operate Special trains to cater extra rush of passengers during festive season, vacations, or for destinations of tourist value to facilitate tourism and pilgrimage.

In order to cater to the needs of passengers and facilitate their journey during Maha Kumbh-2025, Indian Railways operated more than 17,300 trains which included 7484 Special trains. These Special trains included 996 long distance trains. All these measures served approximately 4.24 crore passengers.

To cater to the extra rush of passengers, facilitate their periodic evacuation and keeping in view the safety of passengers, it was imperative to operate more special trains especially on the major snan days. Accordingly, to create additional path for these trains and keeping in view the operational exigencies, 76 long distance special trains already notified could not be operated.
