

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION 4193
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.03.2025**

NEW TRAIN FROM CHHATTISGARH TO BENGALURU

†4193. SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that only one direct train, Vanganga Express is available on this route from Chhattisgarh to Bengaluru due to which passengers face difficulties in seat availability, travel time and convenience;**
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to start an additional direct train service from Chhattisgarh to Bengaluru considering the increasing demand for the same;**
- (c) the details of the pending proposal, if any, along with the time-frame for probable implementation; and**
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor including the proposed alternative steps likely to be taken in this regard?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d) Railway network straddles across State boundaries. Accordingly, trains are introduced across such boundaries as per network requirement. At present, 12251/12252 Korba-Yesvantpur Wainganga Express is being operated via Bilaspur-Raipur-Gondia and is catering to the passengers of various stations located in the State of Chhattisgarh.

Besides, 15 pairs of Bengaluru bound train services are available from Nagpur which is well connected with cities like Bilaspur, Raipur and Gondia by 39 pairs, 50 pairs & 53 pairs of train services respectively.

Moreover, introduction of new train services is an on-going process on Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility and availability of resources etc.