

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 687
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.07.2025**

VANDE BHARAT EXPRESS BETWEEN THANJAVUR TO CHENNAI

687. SHRI MURASOLI S:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plans to introduce a New Vande Bharat Express between Thanjavur to Chennai, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;**
- (b) whether unused Amrit Bharat rake has been allocated to the Southern Railway Zone, the details thereof; and**
- (c) whether the Government has any plans to allocate the unused Amrit Bharat Express rake and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c) Presently, Thanjavur – Chennai sector is being served by 10 pairs of train services. Besides, 12 Vande Bharat Express services are catering to the needs of the passengers of Chennai area.

Of the 14 Amrit Bharat Express services operating on the Indian Railways network, 08 services have been introduced w.e.f 18th July, 2025.

Moreover, introduction of train services including Vande Bharat train services as well as allotment of coaches are continuous and on-going processes on Indian Railways, subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, competing demands, availability of rolling stock etc.
