

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 76
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.02.2026**

OPERATION OF TRAIN BETWEEN THAWE-PATNA JUNCTION

***76. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the train number 03215/03216 operating between Thawe-Patna Junction has been stopped without any prior notice and if so, the reasons therefor;**
- (b) whether the decision is permanent or temporary; and**
- (c) whether the Government has also been apprised that the closure of the said train which is being used to facilitate education, medical treatment of patients, commercial activities by businessmen and general passengers and devotees from Gopalganj and surrounding areas has caused serious economic, academic and health issues and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.76 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.02.2026 IN LOK SABHA

(a) to (c) Indian Railways constantly endeavours to cater to the needs of travelling passengers and to this end, new services are introduced, existing train services are extended and their frequency increased.

Moreover, to supplement the accommodation available by regular services and to cater to the extra rush of passengers during peak seasons, festivals, religious congregations etc., Indian Railways also operates special trains and augments the loads of existing services, keeping in view the pattern of traffic, commercial justification, operational feasibility and availability of resources etc. Accordingly, 03215/03216 Patna-Thawe Special was operated till 30.11.2025.

Presently, Thawe is served by 34 train services including the daily service of 15079/15080 Patliputra-Gorakhpur Express providing connectivity to Patna.

The list of trains serving Thawe stations are as under:

SN	Train no. and name
1	19045 Surat - Thawe Tapti Ganga Express
2	19046 Thawe - Surat Tapti Ganga Express
3	15113 Gomti Nagar - Chhapra Express
4	15114 Chhapra - Gomti Nagar Express
5	15079 Patliputra - Gorakhpur Express
6	15080 Gorakhpur - Patliputra Express
7	18181 Tatanagar - Thawe Express
8	18182 Thawe - Tatanagar Express
9	15135 Chhapra - Amritsar Express
10	15136 Amritsar - Chhapra Express
11	15133 Chhapra - Anand Vihar (T) Amrit Bharat Express
12	15134 Anand Vihar (T) - Chhapra Amrit Bharat Express
13	75106 Gorakhpur - Thawe DEMU

14	75104 Thawe - Chhapra DEMU
15	55113 Thawe - Chhapra DEMU
16	55115 Thawe - Kaptanganj Passenger
17	75103 Chhapra - Thawe DEMU
18	75105 Thawe - Nakaha Jungle DEMU
19	55036 Gorakhpur Cantt. - Siwan Passenger
20	55110 Chhapra Kacheri - Thawe Passenger
21	55105 Chhapra Kacheri - Thawe Passenger
22	55112 Thawe - Mashrakh Passenger
23	55107 Thawe - Kaptanganj Passenger
24	55116 Kaptanganj - Thawe Passenger
25	55109 Thawe - Chhapra Kacheri Passenger
26	55037 Siwan - Thawe Passenger
27	55038 Thawe - Siwan Passenger
28	55104 Chhapra Kacheri - Thawe Passenger
29	55108 Kaptanganj - Thawe Passenger
30	55106 Thawe - Chhapra Kacheri Passenger
31	55103 Thawe - Chhapra Kacheri Passenger
32	55111 Thawe - Chhapra Kacheri Passenger
33	55035 Siwan - Gorakhpur Cantt. Passenger
34	55114 Thawe - Siwan Passenger

Besides, introduction of new train services on any route/section, which is an on-going process, depends on various factors which include:

- **Capacity of that section**
- **Availability of path**
- **Availability of required rolling stock**
- **Availability of matching infrastructure for rolling stock**
- **Maintenance requirement of railway tracks and other asset**
