

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2021
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.02.2026**

RAIL CONNECTIVITY FOR CHANDIGARH AND RAJASTHAN

2021. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is cognizant of the multiple representations sent by the Member of Parliament from Chandigarh regarding improved train connectivity, including requests for superfast train stoppages at Chandigarh/Mohali on the Katra and Amritsar routes as well as enhanced connectivity to Rajasthan and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether any action has been initiated on these representations, including examining the feasibility of providing stoppages for Vande Bharat, Shatabdi, Sampark Kranti, Rajdhani and other superfast trains at Chandigarh/Mohali in view of the large number of students, professionals, lawyers and devotees who rely on these routes and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to address the public demand for daily operation of Train No. 22451/22452 (Chandigarh–Bandra) and to provide direct connectivity to Khatushyam, Ajmer, Pushkar, Bikaner and other destinations 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) At present, both Chandigarh and SAS Nagar Mohali stations are connected to Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra by 02 pairs of train services each and to Amritsar by 08 pairs of train services each as listed below:-

Chandigarh/SAS Nagar Mohali-Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra sector:

SN	Train no. and name
1	14503/14504 Kalka - Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra Express

2	14609/14610 Yog Nagari Rishikesh-Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra Hemkunt Express
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Chandigarh/SAS Nagar Mohali -Amritsar sector:

SN	Train no. and name
1	14631/14632 Dehradun - Amritsar Express
2	18101/18102 Tatanagar - Jammu Tawi Express
3	18309/18310 Sambalpur - Jammu Tawi Express
4	12411/12412 Chandigarh - Amritsar Express
5	15531/15532 Saharsa - Amritsar Jan Sadharan Express
6	14615/14616 Lalkuan - Amritsar Express
7	12925/12926 Bandra (T)-Amritsar Paschim Express
8	14541/14542 Chandigarh - Amritsar Express

As the railway network straddles across State boundaries, trains are operated, as per network requirement, across such boundaries.

All trains serving Chandigarh station have scheduled stoppage there at. Presently, Chandigarh is connected to major stations in Rajasthan like Ringas (serving Khatushyam Ji), Ajmer, Jaipur and Kota by 01 pair, 05 pairs, 04 pairs and 03 pairs respectively listed below:-

Trains between Chandigarh and Ringas:

SN	Train no. and name
1	22451/22452 Bandra (T)-Chandigarh Express

Trains between Chandigarh and Ajmer:

SN	Train no. and name
1	22451/22452 Bandra (T)-Chandigarh Express
2	20989/20990 Udaipur City - Chandigarh Express
3	20977/20978 Ajmer - Chandigarh Vande Bharat Express
4	19411/19412 Gandhinagar Capital - Daulatpur Chowk Express
5	12983/12984 Ajmer - Chandigarh Garib Rath Express

Trains between Chandigarh and Jaipur:

SN	Train no. and name
1	20989/20990 Udaipur City - Chandigarh Express

2	20977/20978 Ajmer - Chandigarh Vande Bharat Express
3	19411/19412 Gandhinagar Capital - Daulatpur Chowk Express
4	12983/12984 Ajmer - Chandigarh Garib Rath Express

Trains between Chandigarh and Kota:

SN	Train no. and name
1	12449/12450 Madgaon-Chandigarh Goa Sampark Kranti Express
2	12217/12218 Thiruvananthapuram North-Chandigarh Kerala Sampark Kranti Express
3	12925/12926 Bandra (T)-Amritsar Paschim Express

Futhermore, Indian Railways has introduced 20989/20990 Udaipur City-Chandigarh Express w.e.f 27.09.2025, which is catering to the needs of passengers of Chandigarh-Jaipur-Ajmer-Bhilwara-Udaipur sector.

As regards increase in frequency of 22451/22452 Bandra (T)-Chandigarh Express from Bi-weekly to Daily, it is stated that Chandigarh is presently connected to Mumbai by 04 pairs of train services including the daily service of 12925/12926 Bandra (T)-Amritsar Paschim Express. The train serving Chandigarh-Mumbai sector are listed below:-

SN	Train no. and name
1	12925/12926 Bandra (T)-Amritsar Paschim Express
2	22451/22452 Bandra (T)-Chandigarh Express
3	12217/12218 Thiruvananthapuram North-Chandigarh Kerala Sampark Kranti Express
4	12449/12450 Madgaon-Chandigarh Goa Sampark Kranti Express

Besides, introduction of new train services on any route/section/increase in frequency of train services, which are on-going processes, 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**
