

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4323
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.03.2026**

RESTORATION OF TRAINS AT TIRUNELVELI JUNCTION

4323. SHRI ROBERT BRUCE C:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of trains originating, terminating and halting at Tirunelveli Junction Railway Station as on 01.02.2026;**
- (b) the details of trains originating, terminating and halting at Tirunelveli Junction Railway Station were discontinued and not restored after gauge conversion and Covid-19; and**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to restore trains at the said junction as per pre gauge conversion and pre-Covid schedule 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) Tirunelveli is presently being served by 98 train services which are as under:

SN	Train No. & Name
1	11021 Dadar-Tirunelveli Express
2	11022 Tirunelveli-Dadar Express
3	12631 Chennai Egmore-Tirunelveli Nellai Express
4	12632 Tirunelveli-Chennai Egmore Nellai Express
5	12633 Chennai Egmore-Kanniyakumari Express
6	12634 Kanniyakumari-Chennai Egmore Express
7	12641 Kanniyakumari-Hazrat Nizamuddin Tirukkural Express
8	12642 Hazrat Nizamuddin-Kanniyakumari Tirukkural Express
9	12665 Howrah-Kanniyakumari Express

10	12666 Kanniyakumari-Howrah Express
11	12667 Tambaram-Kanniyakumari Express
12	12668 Kanniyakumari-Tambaram Express
13	12689 MGR Chennai Central-Kanniyakumari Express
14	12690 Kanniyakumari-MGR Chennai Central Express
15	16121 Tambaram-Thiruvananthapuram Central Amrit Bharat Express
16	16122 Thiruvananthapuram Central-Tambaram Amrit Bharat Express
17	16127 Chennai Egmore-Guruvayur Express
18	16128 Guruvayur-Chennai Egmore Express
19	16321 Nagercoil-Coimbatore Express
20	16322 Coimbatore-Nagercoil Express
21	16339 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Nagercoil Express
22	16340 Nagercoil-Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T) Express
23	16351 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Nagercoil Express
24	16352 Nagercoil-Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T) Express
25	16353 Kacheguda-Nagercoil Express
26	16354 Nagercoil-Kacheguda Express
27	16357 Nagercoil-Charlapalli Amrit Bharat Express
28	16358 Charlapalli-Nagercoil Amrit Bharat Express
29	16367 Kanniyakumari-Banaras Kashi Tamil Express
30	16368 Banaras-Kanniyakumari Kashi Tamil Express
31	16729 Madurai-Punalur Express
32	16730 Punalur-Madurai Express
33	16731 Palakkad-Tiruchendur Express
34	16732 Tiruchendur-Palakkad Express
35	16787 Tirunelveli-Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra Navyug Express
36	16788 Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra-Tirunelveli Navyug Express
37	16791 Tuticorin-Palakkad Palaruvi Express
38	16792 Palakkad-Tuticorin Palaruvi Express

39	16845 Erode-Sengottai Express
40	16846 Sengottai-Erode Express
41	16861 Puducherry-Kanniyakumari Express
42	16862 Kanniyakumari-Puducherry Express
43	17235 SMVT Bengaluru-Nagercoil Express
44	17236 Nagercoil-SMVT Bengaluru Express
45	19577 Tirunelveli-Jamnagar Express
46	19578 Jamnagar-Tirunelveli Express
47	20603 New Jalpaiguri-Nagercoil Amrit Bharat Express
48	20604 Nagercoil-New Jalpaiguri Amrit Bharat Express
49	20605 Chennai Egmore-Tiruchendur Express
50	20606 Tiruchendur-Chennai Egmore Express
51	20627 Chennai Egmore-Nagercoil Vande Bharat Express
52	20628 Nagercoil-Chennai Egmore Vande Bharat Express
53	20635 Chennai Egmore-Kollam Anantapuri Express
54	20636 Kollam-Chennai Egmore Anantapuri Express
55	20665 Chennai Egmore-Tirunelveli Vande Bharat Express
56	20666 Tirunelveli-Chennai Egmore Vande Bharat Express
57	20683 Tambaram-Sengottai Express
58	20684 Sengottai-Tambaram Express
59	20691 Tambaram-Nagercoil Antyodaya Express
60	20692 Nagercoil-Tambaram Antyodaya Express
61	20923 Tirunelveli-Gandhidham Humsafar Express
62	20924 Gandhidham-Tirunelveli Humsafar Express
63	22605 Purulia-Tirunelveli Express
64	22606 Tirunelveli-Purulia Express
65	22619 Bilaspur-Tirunelveli Express
66	22620 Tirunelveli-Bilaspur Express
67	22621 Rameswaram-Kanniyakumari Express
68	22622 Kanniyakumari-Rameswaram Express

69	22627 Tiruchchirappalli-Thiruvananthapuram Central Express
70	22628 Thiruvananthapuram Central-Tiruchchirappalli Express
71	22629 Dadar-Tirunelveli Express
72	22630 Tirunelveli-Dadar Express
73	22657 Tambaram-Kanniyakumari Express
74	22658 Kanniyakumari-Tambaram Express
75	22667 Nagercoil-Coimbatore Express
76	22668 Coimbatore-Nagercoil Express
77	56003 Tirunelveli-Tiruchendur Passenger
78	56004 Tiruchendur-Tirunelveli Passenger
79	56707 Kanniyakumari-Tirunelveli Passenger
80	56708 Tirunelveli-Kanniyakumari Passenger
81	56721 Tuticorin-Tirunelveli Passenger
82	56722 Tirunelveli-Tuticorin Passenger
83	56741 Tirunelveli-Sengottai Passenger
84	56742 Sengottai-Tirunelveli Passenger
85	56743 Tirunelveli-Sengottai Passenger
86	56744 Sengottai-Tirunelveli Passenger
87	56751 Tirunelveli-Tiruchendur Passenger
88	56752 Tiruchendur-Tirunelveli Passenger
89	56753 Tirunelveli-Tiruchendur Passenger
90	56754 Tiruchendur-Tirunelveli Passenger
91	56755 Vanchi Maniyachchi-Tiruchendur Passenger
92	56756 Tiruchendur-Vanchi Maniyachchi Passenger
93	56757 Tirunelveli-Tiruchendur Passenger
94	56758 Tiruchendur-Tirunelveli Passenger
95	56773 Tirunelveli-Sengottai Passenger
96	56774 Sengottai-Tirunelveli Passenger
97	56775 Tirunelveli-Sengottai Passenger
98	56776 Sengottai-Tirunelveli Passenger

With a view to contain the spread of Covid-19 pandemic, Indian Railways (IR) had discontinued the operation of all regular passenger carrying trains with effect from 23rd March, 2020 and only special train services were being operated. Indian Railways also undertook rationalization of time-table, including rationalisation of train services, in a scientific manner with the assistance of IIT-Bombay. The exercise has been undertaken *inter alia* to provide for better passenger safety by creating maintenance corridor blocks, speeding up of train services and to improve punctuality.

Since November-2021, Express train services are being operated as per rationalized time table and regular numbers.

Besides, introduction of trains/provision of stoppages are on-going processes on Indian Railways subject to operational feasibility, traffic justification, competing demands, etc.
