

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 931
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.03.2016**

INTRODUCTION OF RAJDHANI TRAINS

†931. SHRI SHAILESH KUMAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is contemplating to introduce Rajdhani Express Trains from various cities particularly from Bhagalpur station of Bihar;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether there is a shortage of express trains from Bhagalpur station of Bihar to New Delhi in proportion to the number of passengers; and**
- (d) if so, the corrective measures being taken by the Government in this regard?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) & (b): Rajdhani Express class of trains are not commuter trains, but are long distance fast moving prestigious trains, primarily meant for connecting National capital and State capitals. As such, at present, there is no proposal to introduce a Rajdhani Express train from New Delhi to various cities of Bihar including Bhagalpur.

(c) & (d): At present, Bhagalpur and Delhi are connected by 9 pairs of Mail/Express trains including two pairs of daily Express trains viz. 12367/12368 Bhagalpur-Anand Vihar Vikramshila Express and 14055/14056 Bhagalpur-Delhi Brahmaputra Mail which is adequate for the present level of traffic. However, introduction of additional train services is an ongoing process subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, availability of resources, etc.
