

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2848
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.08.2026**

RESTORATION OF TRAINS IN ANDHRA PRADESH

2848. SHRI APPALANAIDU KALISSETTI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the list of trains that were cancelled during the COVID-19 period including their route, frequency and type of service in Andhra Pradesh;**
- (b) the details of the current status of each cancelled train indicating whether it has been restored/partially restored/ to be reinstated, including the reasons for any delay;**
- (c) the details of the estimated number of passengers affected due to non-restoration of these trains including daily and annual ridership per route;**
- (d) whether any proposals or requests have been received for restoration of these trains and if so, the details thereof including the current status of such proposals;**
- (e) the details of the alternative arrangements, if any, provided to passengers during the period of non-restoration; and**
- (f) the details of the plan and tentative timeline to restore all COVID-cancelled trains in Andhra Pradesh particularly those serving major towns, district headquarters and key intra-State connectivity routes?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
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(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

(a) to (f) During 2020-21, Indian Railways (IR) undertook the exercise of rationalization of the time table in a scientific manner to provide for better passenger safety by creating maintenance corridor blocks, speeding up of

trains, etc. The exercise involved rationalisation of train services. Presently, all train services are being operated as per rationalized timetable.

As the railway network straddles across State boundaries, trains are introduced as per network requirement, across such boundaries. However, in its constant endeavour to improve connectivity for the passenger convenience, IR have introduced 37 pairs of trains serving the stations located in the State of Andhra Pradesh, post covid. These are listed below:

SN	Train No. & Name
1	17433/17434 Tirupati-Raxaul Express
2	17047/17048 Charlapalli-Tiruchanur Express
3	17443/17444 Tirupati-Charlapalli Express
4	17441/17442 Tirupati-Charlapalli Express
5	17043/17044 Secunderabad -Anakapalle Express
6	17635/17636 H.S. Nanded-Dharmavaram Express
7	17059/17060 Charlapalli-Tiruchanur Express
8	17437/17438 Tirupati-Pandharpur Humsafar Express
9	17053/17054 Charlapalli-Anakapalle Express
10	57407/57408 Guntakal -Markapur road Express
11	17295/17296 Kakinada Town-Hisar Express
12	18501/18502 Visakhapatnam-Kollam Express
13	19559/19560 Tirupati-Okha Express
14	17637/17638 Jalna-Tiruchanur Express
15	56531/56532 Yesvantpur -Hindupur Passenger
16	18509/18510 Visakhapatnam-SMVT Bengaluru Express

17	17045/17046 Charlapalli-Anakapalle Express
18	17633/17634 H.S. Nanded-Tiruchanur Express
19	17429/17430 Tirupati-Akola Express
20	17289/17290 Kakinada Town-Mysore Express
21	17427/17428 Tirupati-Narasapur Express
22	67301/67302 Rajahmundry-Kakinada Port MEMU
23	17061/17062 Charlapalli-Narasapur Express
24	17439/17440 Tirupati-Srikakulam Road Humsafar Express
25	18507/18508 Visakhapatnam-Tirupati Express
26	18527/18528 Visakhapatnam-Charlapalli Express
27	18505/18506 Visakhapatnam-Tirupati Express
28	17425/17426 Tirupati-Sainagar Shirdi Express
29	17423/17424 Tirupati-Chikkamagalur Express
30	20829/20830 Durg-Visakhapatnam Vande Bharat Express
31	20841/20842 Bhubaneshwar-Visakhapatnam Vande Bharat Express
32	17421/17422 Tirupati-Kollam Express
33	20707/20708 Secunderabad -Visakhapatnam Vande Bharat Express
34	20677/20678 MGR Chennai-Vijayawada Vande Bharat Express
35	20701/20702 Secunderabad-Tirupati Vande Bharat Express
36	20833/20834 Visakhapatnam-Secunderabad Vande Bharat Express
37	66559/66560 Yesvantpur-Shri Satya sai Prashanthi Nilayam MEMU

Further, Indian Railways, with a view to improve travel experience of the passengers, have introduced indigenously designed and manufactured

Vande Bharat trains (Chair Car and Sleeper) and Amrit Bharat Express with modern coaches, advanced safety features and passenger amenities.

Presently, 81 Pairs of Vande Bharat Express [Chair Car], 01 pairs of Vande Bharat Express [Sleeper] & 36 pairs of Amrit Bharat Express are being operated over the Indian Railways network, of which 08 Pairs of Vande Bharat Express [Chair Car] and 12 pairs of Amrit Bharat Express are catering to the needs of passengers of stations located in the State of Andhra Pradesh. These are listed below:

Vande Bharat trains serving stations of Andhra Pradesh

SN	Train No. & Name
1	20677/ 20678 MGR Chennai Central - Narasapur Vande Bharat Express
2	20701/20702 Secunderabad - Tirupati Vande Bharat Express
3	20703/20704 Kacheguda - Yesvantpur Vande Bharat Express
4	20707/20708 Secunderabad - Visakhapatnam Vande Bharat Express
5	20829/20830 Durg - Visakhapatnam Vande Bharat Express
6	20833/20834 Visakhapatnam - Secunderabad Vande Bharat Express
7	20841/20842 Bhubaneswar - Visakhapatnam Vande Bharat Express
8	22231/22232 Kalaburagi - SMVT Bengaluru Vande Bharat Express

Amrit Vande Bharat trains serving stations of Andhra Pradesh

SN	Train No. & Name
1	13433/13434 SMVT Bengaluru - Malda Town Amrit Bharat Express
2	15673/15674 Charlapalli - Kamakhya Amrit Bharat Express
3	16107/16108 Tambaram - Santragachi Amrit Bharat Express
4	16357/16358 Nagercoil - Charlapalli Amrit Bharat Express
5	16597/16598 SMVT Bengaluru - Alipurduar Amrit Bharat Express

6	16601/16602 Erode - Jogbani Amrit Bharat Express
7	16619/16620 Podanur - Dhanbad Amrit Bharat Express
8	17041/17042 Charlapalli - Thiruvananthapuram Central Amrit Bharat Express
9	17065/17066 Charlapalli - Shalimar Amrit Bharat Express
10	19021/19022 Udhna - Brahmapur Amrit Bharat Express
11	20603/20604 New Jalpaiguri - Nagercoil Amrit Bharat Express
12	20609/20610 New Jalpaiguri - Tiruchchirappalli Amrit Bharat Express

Proposals/ requests/ suggestions/ representations, both formal and informal *inter alia* for introduction of trains are received from Members of Parliament, elected representatives, organizations/rail users etc. at various levels including Railway Board, Zonal Railways, Divisional Office etc. These proposals are examined and action as found feasible and justified is taken from time to time, which is an on-going process.

Besides, introduction of new train services, 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 assets.**
- **Occupancy and the traffic requirement of the section.**
