



Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw Updates Lok Sabha on Railway Projects in Maharashtra

Indian Railways has set up Marathwada Rail Coach Factory (MRCF) at Latur

Survey for Phaltan – Pandharpur 109 km New Rail Line Project Completed

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In a written reply to unstarred questions in the Lok Sabha, the Minister of Railways, Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw provided updates regarding the railway infrastructure in Maharashtra. The Union Minister stated that the Survey for Phaltan – Pandharpur New Line Project (109 Km) has been completed and Detailed Project Report (DPR) has been prepared.

After the preparation of the DPR, the sanctioning of the project requires consultation with various stakeholders, including State Governments, and necessary approvals such as appraisals from NITI Aayog and the Ministry of Finance. As the sanctioning of projects is a continuous and dynamic process, exact timelines depend upon these appraisals and approvals.

In order to enhance indigenous coach manufacturing capacity to meet the growing demand for modern trains, Indian Railways has set up at Marathwada Rail Coach Factory (MRCF), Latur, Maharashtra at a cost of Rs. 685.79 Cr. The manufacture of 120 nos. Vande Bharat trainsets have been taken up at MRCF, Latur through **Technology Partner**.

Further, with a view to ensure structured and systematic training on coach manufacturing, concerned employees are provided training as per detailed training modules which cover various aspects relevant to that field. The modules include exposure to fabrication techniques, welding processes, bogie systems, electrical etc. required for coach production.

Besides, Indian Railways also conducts Apprenticeship Training Programme at its various units like Production Units, Workshops, Loco Sheds, Carriage and Wagon Depots etc under the provisions of Apprentices Act, 1961, which also contributes to skill development in trades such as fitter, welder, electrician and machinist.

TRAIN SERVICES BETWEEN NASHIK ROAD AND KALYAN:

As a response to the details of difficulties in starting EMU/automated closing door train sets between Nashik and Kalyan; the minister stated that, the width of the EMU stock (local trains in the area) is more than other rolling stock of passenger trains. There are dimensional limitations in tunnels on Kasara-Igatpuri ghat section and Karjat-Lonavala section due to which, operation of EMU local trains is not possible in these sections at present.

At present, Nasik Road-Kalyan sector is served by following 67 pairs of train services:

SN	Train No. & Name
1	11001/11002 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Balharshah Express
2	11011/11012 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Dhule Express
3	11015/11016 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Saharsa Amrit Bharat Express
4	11031/11032 Panvel-Alipur Duar Amrit Bharat Express
5	11055/11056 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Gonda Godan Express
6	11057/11058 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Amritsar Express
7	11059/11060 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Chhapra Express
8	11061/11062 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Jaynagar Express
9	11071/11072 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Ballia Kamayani Express
10	11079/11080 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Gorakhpur Express
11	11081/11082 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Gorakhpur Express
12	12071/12072 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Hingoli Deccan Jan Shatabdi Express
13	12105/12106 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Gondia Vidarbha Express
14	12107/12108 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Sitapur Express
15	12109/12110 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Manmad Panchavati Express
16	12111/12112 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Amravati Express
17	12131/12132 Dadar-Sainagar Shirdi Express
18	12137/12138 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Firozpur Cantt. Punjab Mail
19	12139/12140 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Nagpur Sewagram Express
20	12141/12142 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Patliputra Express

21	12145/12146 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Puri Express
22	12151/12152 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Shalimar Samarsata Express
23	12161/12162 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Agra Cantt. Lashkar Express
24	12165/12166 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Gorakhpur Express
25	12167/12168 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Banaras Express
26	12171/12172 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Haridwar Express
27	12173/12174 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Maa Belha Devi Dham Pratapgarh Express
28	12187/12188 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Jabalpur Garib Rath Express
29	12321/12322 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Howrah Kolkata Mail
30	12335/12336 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Bhagalpur Express
31	12533/12534 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Gomti Nagar Pushpak Express
32	12617/12618 Ernakulam-Hazrat Nizamuddin Mangala Lakshadweep Express
33	12741/12742 Vasco-da-Gama-Patna Express
34	12809/12810 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Howrah Express
35	12811/12812 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Hatia Express
36	12859/12860 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Howrah Gitanjali Express
37	12869/12870 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Howrah Express
38	12879/12880 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Bhubaneswar Express
39	13201/13202 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Rajgir Express
40	14313/14314 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Bareilly Express

41	15017/15018 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Gorakhpur Kashi Express
42	15065/15066 Panvel-Gorakhpur Express
43	15181/15182 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Mau Express
44	15267/15268 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Raxaul Antyoday Express
45	15647/15648 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Guwahati Express
46	15659/15660 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Agartala Express
47	15945/15946 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Dibrugarh Express
48	17057/17058 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Lingampalli Devagiri Express
49	17611/17612 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Nanded Express
50	17617/17618 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Nanded Tapovan Express
51	18029/18030 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Shalimar Express
52	18609/18610 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Ranchi Express
53	20705/20706 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Nanded Vande Bharat Express
54	22103/22104 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Ayodhya Cantt. Express
55	22109/22110 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Balharshah Express
56	22121/22122 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Lucknow Express
57	22129/22130 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Ayodhya Cantt. Tulsi Express
58	22147/22148 Dadar-Sainagar Shirdi Express
59	22177/22178 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Banaras Mahanagari Express
60	22183/22184 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Ayodhya Cantt. Express

61	22221/22222 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Hazrat Nizamuddin Rajdhani Express
62	22223/22224 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T)-Sainagar Shirdi Vande Bharat Express
63	22311/22312 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Godda Express
64	22357/22358 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Gaya Express
65	22537/22538 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Gorakhpur Kushinagar Express
66	22583/22584 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Chhapra Antyoday Express
67	22847/22848 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Visakhapatnam Express

Similarly, Kasara-Kalyan-Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj(T) sector is served by 36 Suburban train services.

MODERNISATION AT HINGOLI DECCAN STATION:

In reply to the unstarred question about the railway infrastructure in the Hingoli district of Maharashtra, the minister stated that at the Hingoli Deccan station, the works of platform shelter and improvement

of platform surface of platform no. 2 have been completed. The works of new station building, improvement of existing station building, platform surface of platform no. 1, lift and 12 m Foot Over Bridge have been taken up.

Currently, Hingoli Deccan is served by 38 train services providing connectivity inter alia to Mumbai, Pune, Amritsar, Hyderabad, Bengaluru, Jaipur. Presently, Hingoli Deccan is connected to Mumbai by the daily service of 12071/12072 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj (T) -Hingoli Deccan Jan Shatabdi Express and to Pune by the bi-weekly service of 11405/06 Pune- Amravati Express. The list of trains serving Hingoli Deccan station is as under:

SN	Train No & Name
1	11403 Nagpur -Kolhapur Express
2	11404 Kolhapur-Nagpur Express
3	11405 Pune-Amravati Express

4	11406 Amravati-Pune Express
5	12071 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj (T) -Hingoli Deccan Express
6	12072 Hingoli Deccan-Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj (T) Express
7	12421 Nanded-Amritsar Express
8	12422 Amritsar-Nanded Express
9	12439 Nanded-Shri Ganganagar Express
10	12440 Sri Ganganagar-Nanded Express
11	12485 Nanded-Shri Ganganagar Express
12	12486 Sri Ganganagar-Nanded Express
13	12719 Jaipur -Hyderabad Express
14	12720 Hyderabad-Jaipur Express
15	12751 Nanded-Jammu Tawi Express
16	12752 Jammu Tawi -Nanded Express
17	12765 Tirupati-Amravati Express
18	12766 Amravati-Tirupati Express
19	17605 Kacheguda-Bhagat Ki Kothi Express
20	17606 Bhagat Ki Kothi-Kacheguda Express
21	17639 Kacheguda-Akola Express
22	17640 Akola -Kacheguda Express
23	17641 Kacheguda-Narkher Express
24	17642 Narkher-Kacheguda Express
25	17683 Akola -Purna Express

26	17684 Purna -Akola Express
27	19301 Dr. Ambedkar Nagar -Yesvantpur Express
28	19302 Yesvantpur - Dr. Ambedkar Nagar Express
29	19713 Jaipur -Kurnool City Express
30	19714 Kurnool City-Jaipur Express
31	22709 Nanded-Amb Andaura Express
32	22710 Amb Andaura-Nanded Express
33	22723 Nanded-Shri Ganganagar Express
34	22724 Shri Ganganagar-Nanded Express
35	57655 Parli Vaijnath-Akola Passenger
36	57656 Akola -Purna Passenger
37	77613 Purna -Akola DMU
38	77614 Akola -Parli Vaijnath DMU

Further, proposals/ requests/ suggestions/ representations, both formal and informal inter alia for introduction of trains, extension of existing trains, or increase in frequency of trains, Railway projects/works across the country are received from Members of Parliament, elected representatives, organizations/rail users etc. at various levels including Railway Board, Zonal Railways, Divisional Offices etc. As receipt of such proposals/ requests/ suggestions is a continuous and dynamic process, centralized compendium of such requests is not maintained. However, these are examined and action as found feasible and justified is taken from time to time.

This information also was stated by the Minister of Railways, Information & Broadcasting and Electronics & Information Technology Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw in the Lok Sabha today.

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