

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2385
ANSWERED ON 05.08.2022

VANDE BHARAT TRAINS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the new Vande Bharat Trains started so far, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government will allot more Vande Bharat Trains to States like Rajasthan and Kerala; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c) Presently, 02 pairs of Vande Bharat Express namely, 22435/22436 New Delhi-Varanasi Vande Bharat Express and 22439/22440 New Delhi-Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra Vande Bharat Express are in operation, which are being operated utilizing the available rakes. In the Union Budget 2022-23, announcement for operation of 400 new generation Vande Bharat trains has been made. Indian Railways do not run train services, including Vande Bharat services, on State-wise basis as railway network straddles across State boundaries. However, operation of more Vande Bharat trains, over Indian Railways network, is subject to operational feasibility, commercial justification and availability of rolling stock.
