

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1251
ANSWERED ON 16.12.2022

VANDE BHARAT EXPRESS FOR KARNATAKA

1251 SHRI LAHAR SINGH SIROYA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Minister of State for Railways during a visit to the State of Karnataka assured three routes of the Vande Bharat Express in Karnataka; and
- (b) the details of the Vande Bharat Train services that will be made operational in Karnataka?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) and (b) Indian Railways do not run train services, including Vande Bharat services, on State-wise basis as railway network straddles across various State boundaries. However, with the operation of 20607/20608 Chennai Central- Mysuru Vande Bharat Express w.e.f. 12th November, 2022, Vande Bharat Express have started serving Bengaluru and Mysuru located in the State of Karnataka. Besides, introduction of new trains, including Vande Bharat Express which is dependent on operational feasibility, resource availability, traffic pattern, competing demand etc, is an ongoing process.
