### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4360 TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.03.2025

#### **RESTORATION OF TRAIN STOPPAGES**

#### 4360. SHRI P V MIDHUN REDDY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways had discontinued with the train stoppages during the Covid pandemic in view of the restricted train services;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, Train, Station and State-wise;
- (c) whether the discontinued stoppages were restored post Covid pandemic, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Railways has received any representations from the peoples, representatives to restore any such stoppages and if so, the action taken thereon?

#### ANSWER

## MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

#### (SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d) With a view to provide better passenger safety by creating maintenance corridor blocks, speeding up of trains etc, rationalisation of Time-Table was done in a scientific manner with the assistance of IIT-Bombay, which included rationalization of stoppages.

Representations/requests, both formal and informal, are received from State Governments, Ministries of Central Government, Elected Representatives, Consultative Committees etc. by the Railways at various levels including Railway Board, Zonal Railways, Divisional office etc. As receipt of such representations/requests is a continuous and dynamic process, centralized compendium of such representations/requests is not maintained. However, these are dealt as per laid down procedure/guidelines and action as found feasible and justified is taken from time to time.

Moreover, provision of stoppages to cater to the needs of passengers is an ongoing process of Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility etc.

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