

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1681  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2023**

**OPERATION OF LUXURY TRAINS**

**1681. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether it is a fact that luxury trains in India have seen a fall in occupancy and revenue in recent years, especially after the pandemic;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Railways plans to implement a scheme to promote luxury trains to attract tourists, especially foreign tourists to India, if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the Railways plans to discontinue the operation of any train owing to a fall in occupancy rates; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER  
MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND  
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

**(a) to (e) Indian Railways has policy for tourist trains. It has issued 'Bharat Gaurav Trains' policy in November' 2021, under which theme based tourist circuit trains are being run with the objective to showcase India's rich cultural heritage and magnificent historical places. Under this policy, service providers have full flexibility to decide the themes/itineraries/tariff as per market demand. The Service Provider offers a comprehensive package with facility of rail transportation, accommodation, meals, local road transport, sightseeing etc. There is no policy for luxury trains.**

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