

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2711
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.03.2021**

STOPPAGE AT ALUR STATION

2711. SHRI PRAJWAL REVANNA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of new train services started in Karnataka during the last five years;**
- (b) whether the Government has laid the foundation for new railway projects in Karnataka and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Ministry has any plans for train stoppage at Alur taluk of Hassan district which is a much needed demand from the people of that area and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) the reasons for not halting trains at Alur station despite having infrastructure and manpower; and**
- (e) whether the Ministry has received any requests for stopping of Karwar express at Channarayapatna station and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS,
FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION**

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2711 BY SHRI PRAJWAL REVANNA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 10.03.2021 REGARDING STOPPAGE AT ALUR STATION

(a) Indian Railways do not run train services on State- wise basis as Railway network straddles across State boundaries. However, during the financial year 2015-16 to 2019-20, on originating/terminating basis, 36 pairs of train services have been introduced serving the various stations located in the State of Karnataka.

(b) During the above period, foundation stone has been laid for 04 projects (new line/gauge conversion/doubling) falling fully/partly in the State of Karnataka, as detailed below:-

S.No.	Name of the project	Year of sanction	Foundation stone	
			Laid by	Date of laying foundation stone
1.	Arsikere-Tumkuru (96 Km)	2015-16	Former Hon'ble Minister of Railways Shri S.P Prabhu	15.05.2016
2.	Yelahanka-Penukonda (120.55 Km)	2015-16	Former Hon'ble Minister of Railways Shri S.P Prabhu	15.05.2016
3.	Hubballi-Chikjajur (190 Km)	2015-16	Former Hon'ble Minister of Railways Shri S.P Prabhu	15.05.2016
4.	Baiyyappanahalli 3 rd Coaching Terminal (Sri Mokshagundam Viswesvaraya Bengaluru)	2015-16	Former Hon'ble Minister of Railways Shri S.P Prabhu	16.01.2017

(c) & (d) Alur halt is presently not in operation. As such, stoppage of trains at Alur halt is not feasible, at present.

(e) A large number of representations are received at various levels of Railway administration viz. Railway station, Division, Zonal Headquarter and Railway Board level *inter alia* for provision of stoppage of trains, a compendium of which is not maintained. These are examined /considered and action as found feasible and justified is taken from time to time, which is an ongoing exercise. However, prior to discontinuation of regular passenger carrying trains w.e.f 23.03.2020, Channarayapatna was served by 7 pairs of train services. Besides, provision of stoppages is an ongoing process on Indian Railways.