GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2039 ANSWERED ON 23.12.2022

REDEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

2039. DR. AMAR PATNAIK:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of 12 redevelopment projects announced by Railways for raising Puri, Bhadrak, Brahmapur, Cuttack, Jajpur Keonjhar Road, Khurda Road, Rayagada, Sambalpur, Balasore, Jharsuguda, Rourkela and Bhubaneswar stations in Odisha to international standards with superior passenger amenities;
- (b) the amount sanctioned for each of these railway stations for redevelopment as of December 2022;
- (c) whether Railways is considering planning an MoU for the balance 11 stations beyond the one for Bhubaneswar and kickstarting their construction in a time bound manner;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(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 2039 BY DR. AMAR PATNAIK ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 23.12.2022 REGARDING REDEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

(a) and (b): Ministry of Railway has undertaken scheme of 'Major Upgradation of Stations' on Indian Railways for redevelopment of stations. So far, Puri, Bhubaneswar and Cuttack Railway Stations in the State of Odisha have been taken up for redevelopment under this scheme.

Ministry of Railways is undertaking techno-economic feasibility studies for the redevelopment of stations. Based on the outcome of these feasibility studies, stations are planned to be taken up for redevelopment in phases, especially the stations located in major cities and important tourist destinations. The remaining 9 Stations viz Bhadrak, Brahmapur, Jajpur Keonjhar Road, Khurda Road, Rayagada, Sambalpur, Balasore, Jharsuguda and Rourkela Railway stations in the State of Odisha have been identified for such studies.

Modernization/Upgradation of Railway Station is a continuous and ongoing exercise. The allocation of fund for development and maintenance of stations are done zonal Railway-wise and not station-wise or state-wise. Passenger amenities are generally funded under Plan Head – 53 'Customer Amenities'. The funds allocated under PH-53 by three zonal railways which cater to the state of Odisha for last three years and the current year are as under:-

			(Figu	res ₹ in Crores
Zonal	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Railways	Allocation	Allocation	Allocation	Allocation
ECOR	97.64	103.16	89.03	109.53
SER	71.67	109.89	140.16	176.53
SECR	53.82	107.02	67.15	60.90

- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) and (e) Decisions for execution of works are based on outcome of feasibility studies.
