GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1584 ANSWERED ON 15.12.2023

UPGRADATION OF RAILWAY STATION IN ANDHRA PRADESH

1584. SHRI KANAKAMEDALA RAVINDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA) has selected /identified railway stations located in the State of Andhra Pradesh for major upgradation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the proposed activities /works to be undertaken under upgradation work in the selected/identified railway stations;
- (d) whether Government by making major upgradation will be able to generate more revenue; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

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. 1584 BY SHRI KANAKAMEDALA RAVINDRA KUMAR ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 15.12.2023 REGARDING UPGRADATION OF RAILWAY STATION IN ANDHRA PRADESH

(a) to (e): Ministry of Railways has launched 'Amrit Bharat Station scheme' for development of Stations on Indian Railways. This scheme envisages development of stations on a continuous basis with a long term approach. It involves preparation of Master Plans and their implementation in phases to improve the amenities at the stations like improvement of station access, circulating areas, waiting halls, toilets, lift/escalators as necessary, cleanliness, free Wi-Fi, kiosks for local products through schemes like 'One Station One Product', better passenger information systems, executive lounges, nominated spaces for business meetings, landscaping etc. keeping in view the necessity at each such station.

The scheme also envisages improvement of building, integrating the station with both sides of the city, multimodal integration, amenities for Divyangjans, sustainable and environment friendly solutions, provision of ballast less tracks, 'Roof Plazas' as per necessity, phasing and feasibility and creation of city centres at the station in the long term. Creation of city centres implies increase in revenues.

So far, 1309 number of stations including 72 railway stations in the State of Andhra Pradesh have been identified for development/redevelopment under this scheme.
