

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 772
ANSWERED ON 08.12.2023

MEERUT CITY RAILWAY STATION

772 # DR. LAXMIKANT BAJPAYEE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to make the external structure of Meerut City Railway Station symbolic to the revolution of 1857 under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme;
- (b) the details of the other facilities that would be available therein; and
- (c) whether Government proposes to run a new train from Meerut to Varanasi, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 772 BY DR. LAXMIKANT BAJPAYEE ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 08.12.2023 REGARDING MEERUT CITY RAILWAY STATION

(a) & (b): 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.

The scheme 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 WiFi, 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 centers at the station in the long term.

The scheme also envisages suitable integration of elements of local context of a station. Meerut City railway station is one of the stations identified for development under this scheme.

(c): At present, Hapur is connected to Varanasi by 05 pairs of Mail/Express services. Passengers of Meerut desirous of travelling to Varanasi may do so with changeover from Hapur, which is well connected with both Varanasi and Meerut. Besides, introduction of trains is an ongoing process on Indian Railways, subject to operational feasibility and commercial justification.
