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RAILWAY INFRASTRUCTURAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT IN MALAPPURAM

3308. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the physical and infrastructural developmental project carried out for the various railway stations in Malappuram district of Kerala;
- (b) the details of amount spent for the development of Parappanangadi, Tirur, Kuttipuram, Nilambur, and Angadippuram in the last five years, year-wise;
- (c) whether the railway had any plan to develop the Tirur railway station into a model railway station in the past;
- (d) if so, the progress made;
- (e) whether Government has got any request for allowing stoppage for both Vande Bharat in Tirur Railway;
- (f) if so, the response of Government to the same; and
- (g) the reason for not allowing stoppage?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (g) Development works under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme at railway stations located in Malappuram district in the state of Kerala have been taken up at a good pace as detailed below:

- At Parappanangadi station, works of provision of additional platform shelters, improvement of waiting hall, toilets, booking office, provision of coach display boards, train display boards, automatic ticket vending machines (ATVM) and high mast lights have been completed and works of improvement of station building, parking area, provision of additional benches, water booths, lift, etc. have been taken up.
- At Tirur station, works of platform raising, improvement of platform surfacing, improvement of booking office, retiring room, foot over bridge, provision of additional platform shelters, high mast lights, bollards, water coolers, coach display boards, train display boards and automatic ticket vending machines (ATVM) have been completed and works of provision of lifts, escalators, construction of electric substation, entry porch, improvement of circulating area, parking area, etc. have been taken up.
- At Kuttippuram station, works of provision of additional platform shelters, new AC waiting hall, high mast lights, bollards, water coolers, coach display boards, train display boards, automatic ticket vending machines (ATVM) and improvement of booking office have been completed and works of improvement of platform surfacing, toilet block, circulating area, parking area, etc. have been taken up.
- At Nilambur Road station, works of provision of additional platform shelters, second entry station building, mini mast light, bollards, water coolers, automatic ticket vending machines (ATVM), improvement of booking office, entry porch, circulating area, parking area and approach road have been completed and works of construction of new AC waiting hall with toilets, improvement of station building, provision of lifts, water booths, benches, signages, coach display boards, train display boards, etc. have been taken up.
- At Angadippuram station, works of provision of additional platform shelters, entry porch, construction of new waiting hall, improvement of booking office, platform surfacing, provision of water booths, benches, mini mast light, bollards, water coolers, signages, coach display boards, train display boards and automatic ticket vending machines (ATVM) have been completed and works of construction of new foot over

bridge, toilet block, improvement of circulating area, parking area, approach road, etc. have been taken up.

So far, 1337 stations have been identified for development under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme, out of which 35 stations are located in the state of Kerala, including Parappanangadi, Tirur, Kuttippuram, Nilambur Road and Angadippuram stations located in Malappuram district. The names of stations identified for development under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in the state of Kerala are as following:

State	No. of Amrit Stations	Names of Amrit Stations
Kerala	35	Alappuzha, Angadippuram, Angamali For Kaladi, Chalakudi, Changanassery, Chengannur, Chirayinikil, Ernakulam, Ernakulam Town, Ettumanur, Feroke, Guruvayur, Kannur, Kasargod, Kayankulam, Kollam, Kozhikode, Kuttippuram, Mavelikara, Neyyatinkara, Nilambur Road, Ottappalam, Parappanangadi, Payyanur, Punalur, Shoranur Jn, Thalassery, Thiruvananthapuram, Thrisur, Tirur, Tiruvalla, Tripunithura, Vadakara, Varkala, Wadakancheri

Amrit Bharat Station 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, platform surfacing and cover over platform, 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 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 ballastless tracks, etc. as per necessity, phasing and feasibility and creation of city centre at the station in the long term.

Development/upgradation of stations including under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme is generally funded under Plan Head-53 'Customer Amenities'. The details of allocation and expenditure under Plan Head-53 are maintained Zonal Railway-wise and not work-wise or station-wise or state-wise. The state of Kerala is covered under Southern Railway. For this zone, an allocation of Rs 1,098 Crores (Revised Estimate) has been made for the financial year 2024-25 under Plan Head-53.

Representations have been received from the Hon'ble Members of Parliament for stoppage of 20633/20634 Kasaragod-Thiruvananthapuram Vande Bharat Express at Tirur. Presently, Tirur station is being served by 43 pairs of train services including 20631/20632 Mangalore Central-Thiruvananthapuram Vande Bharat Express. Besides, provision for stoppage of train services is an ongoing process on Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, etc.
