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MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
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UPGRADATION OF BHIWANI RAILWAY STATION UNDER ABSS

608. SMT. KIRAN CHOUDHRY :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Bhiwani Railway Station has been selected for upgradation under the Amrit Bharat Station scheme (ABSS) to transform it into a world-class facility, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the key features and infrastructural improvements planned for Bhiwani Railway Station under this scheme, including enhancements in passenger amenities, digital services, and sustainable infrastructure; and

(c) the total budget allocated for the development of Bhiwani Railway Station under ABSS and the timeline for the completion of the project?

ANSWER

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

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(a) to (c) Bhiwani railway station has been identified for development under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme. Tenders for development works at Bhiwani station have been awarded and works of construction of separate entry and exit gates, improvement of main entrance, air conditioned waiting halls, toilets, food court, ticket counters, parking area, platform shelters,

ramps, tactile tiles pathway and landscaping have been completed and works of construction of new foot over bridge, provision of lifts, improved signages, etc. have been taken up.

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 long term.

So far, 1337 stations including 34 stations in the state of Haryana have been identified for development under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme. The list of stations identified for development under this scheme in the state of Haryana is as following:-

State	No. of Amrit Stations	Names of Amrit Stations
Haryana	34	Ambala Cantt, Ambala City, Bahadurgarh, Ballabgarh, Bhattu, Bhiwani Jn, Charkhi Dadri, Faridabad, Faridabad NIT, Gohana, Gurugram, Hansi, Hisar, Hodal, Jind, Kalanwali, Kalka, Karnal, Kosli, Kurukshetra, Loharu, Mahendragarh, Mandi Adampur, Mandi Dabwali, Narnaul, Narwana, Palwal, Panipat, Pataudi Road, Rewari, Rohtak, Sirsa, Sonipat, Yamunanagar Jagadhari

Upgradation / development / redevelopment of railway stations, including under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme, is generally funded under Plan Head-53 ‘Customer Amenities’. The details

of allocation under Plan Head-53 are maintained Zonal Railway-wise and not work-wise or station-wise or State-wise. Bhiwani Railway station falls under North Western Railway. The allocation for the financial year 2024-25 (Revised Estimate) under Plan Head-53 for this zone is Rs 894 Crores.

Upgradation / development / redevelopment of Railway Stations is complex in nature involving safety of passengers & trains and requires various statutory clearances such as fire clearance, heritage, tree cutting, airport clearance etc. The progress also gets affected due to brown field related challenges such as shifting of utilities (involving water/sewage lines, optical fibre cables, gas pipe lines, power/signal cables, etc.), infringements, operation of trains without hindering passenger movement, speed restrictions due to works carried out in close proximity of tracks and high voltage power lines, etc. and these factors affect the completion time. Therefore, no time frame can be indicated at this stage.
