

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1557**  
**ANSWERED ON 01.08.2025**

**RAIL CONNECTIVITY TO RAMAYAPATNAM PORT**

1557 SHRI MASTHAN RAO YADAV BEEDHA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken to improve rail connectivity to the Ramayapatnam Port in Sri Potti Sriramulu Nellore district;
- (b) the measures adopted to achieve milestones and timelines to complete connectivity;
- (c) the steps proposed for utilization of Bitragunta railway station and railway properties for optimum utilization of rail transport; and
- (d) whether Government is aware that there is a need for developing Kavali Railway station under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme for meeting the proposed increase in footfall in the days ahead, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) & (b) The work of rail connectivity from Ramayapatnam Port to Tettu railway station has been taken up under the Gati-Shakti Multi-Modal Cargo Terminal Policy, by the State Maritime Board, Government of Andhra Pradesh. All necessary approvals, sanctions and facilitations have been provided by Indian Railways.

(c) & (d) At Bitragunta station, located in the State of Andhra Pradesh, the works of construction of new station building, platform, platform shelter, waiting hall and 3m Foot Over Bridge have been completed. The works of improvement of station approach roads and tactile pathways for Divyangjans have been taken up.

At Kavali station, located in the State of Andhra Pradesh, the works of construction of new station building, platform, platform shelter, waiting hall, new Foot Over Bridge, toilets have been completed. The works of lifts and tactile pathways for Divyangjans have been taken up.

Further upgradation/ modernisation of stations on Indian Railways is a continuous and ongoing process and works in this regard are undertaken as per requirement, subject to inter-se priority and availability of funds etc.

Ministry of Railways has launched Amrit Bharat Station Scheme for 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.

In the State of Andhra Pradesh, 73 stations have been identified to be developed under the scheme. Development/ Upgradation/ Modernisation of stations 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 Andhra Pradesh is covered under the jurisdiction of four railway zones, namely East Coast Railway, Southern Railway, South Central Railway and South Western Railway. For these zones, an allocation of ₹2,913 crore has been made for the financial year 2025–26, out of which an expenditure (up to June, 2025) of ₹726 crore has been incurred so far.

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