### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1009 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.02.2017

#### **RE-DEVELOPMENT OF RAILWAY STATIONS**

#### 1009. SHRIMATI KIRRON KHER:

### Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways is intending to involve local people in re-development of railway stations and adjoining areas based on smart city lines;
- (b) if so, the manner in which the local people can participate in these projects;
- (c) the details of funds estimated for the completion of these projects in the first ten cities; and
- (d) the criteria based on which these ten cities were picked for the initial stage of the projects?

#### **ANSWER**

## MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. Indian Railways has advertised its plan to offer 'A-1' and 'A' category stations on 'as is where is basis' for redevelopment, by inviting proposals from interested parties including, inter alia, local developers with their designs and business ideas. Further, to involve local people and officials, Ministry of Railways has signed an MOU with Ministry of Urban

Development for integrated planning of railway stations located in SMART cities and those under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) scheme.

- (c): As the entire cost of station redevelopment is to be met by leveraging commercial development of land and air space in and around the stations, such redevelopment shall be cost neutral to Railways. The cost of the project shall be known after finalization of plans and Project Report.
- (d): Based on studies undertaken by consultants and discussions held with the Zonal Railways, 23 stations, having good potential for commercial development are planned to be taken up for redevelopment in the first Phase.

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