

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5505  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.03.2018**

**PASSENGER AMENITIES**

**†5505. SHRI SADASHIV LOKHANDE:**

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

**(a) the details of passenger amenities announced in the rail budget during the current financial year and the amenities announced last year but yet to be provided; and**

**(b) the proposed action plan for starting each of the said amenities?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)**

**(a) and (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.**

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5505 BY SHRI SADASHIV LOKHANDE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 28.03.2018 REGARDING PASSENGER AMENITIES**

**(a) and (b): In the Railway Budget 2017-18, it was announced that 500 stations will be made differently abled friendly by providing lifts and escalators. Accordingly, Railways have decided to provide escalators at all 'A-1', 'A', 'C' category stations ('C' category stations with footfalls of 25000 and above) and stations of tourist importance progressively. It has been planned to provide additional 2589 additional escalators and 1000 lifts at railway stations. So far, 473 escalators at 171 stations and 330 lifts at 137 stations have been provided. Further, work is in progress for provision of 303 escalators at 115 stations and 306 lifts at 98 stations.**

**In the Rail Budget 2016-17, the following announcements were made:**

- 1. Provision of passenger amenities and beautification on the stations at pilgrimage centres.**
- 2. Provision of atleast one Divyang friendly toilet at each platform in 'A-I' class stations.**
- 3. Raising of low level platforms in Mumbai suburban stations.**

**It is Railways' endeavor to provide passenger amenities announced in the Budget in a time-bound manner. Adequate additional funds, if required, are made available to Railway Zones, depending upon availability and inter-se priority of works.**

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