GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.882 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2018

MODERNISATION OF STATIONS

882. SHRI KUNDARIYA MOHAN BHAI KALYANJI BHAI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has a major programme for modernization of Railway stations in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of stations identified and total cost of the projects;

(c) whether any stations in Gujarat including Saurashtra region have been identified for the purpose and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time limit fixed for completing the projects?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 882 BY SHRI KUNDARIYA MOHAN BHAI KALYANJI BHAI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.02.2018 REGARDING MODERNISATION OF STATIONS

(a) to (c): Union Cabinet approved Railways' proposal for redevelopment of 'A-1' and 'A' category stations (total about 400 stations) on 'as is where is' basis, by inviting open bids from interested parties with their designs and business ideas duly providing for amenities and other requirements of the Railways including permitting commercial development of real estate by Zonal Railways.

Accordingly, station redevelopment program by Zonal Railways was launched on 08.02.2017. Following 23 stations were taken up for bidding in first phase: -

S. No.	Name of Station	State	S. No.	Name of station	State
1	Lokmanya Tilak (T)	Maharashtra	13	Faridabad	Haryana
2	Pune	Maharashtra	14	Jammu Tawi	Jammu & Kashmir
3	Thane	Maharashtra	15	Secunderabad	Andhra Pradesh
4	Mumbai Central	Maharashtra	16	Vijayawada	Andhra Pradesh
5	Bandra Terminus	Maharashtra	17	Ranchi	Jharkhand
6	Borivali	Maharashtra	18	Chennai Central	Tamilnadu
7	Howrah	West Bengal	19	Kozhikode	Kerala
8	Visakhapatnam	Andhra Pradesh	20	Yashwantpur	Karnataka
9	Kanpur Central	Uttar Pradesh	21	Bangalore Cantt	Karnataka
10	Allahabad	Uttar Pradesh	22	Indore	Madhya Pradesh
11	Kamakhya	Assam	23	Bhopal	Madhya Pradesh
12	Udaipur City	Rajasthan			

In the first phase of redevelopment for 23 stations, bids only for Jammu Tawi and Kozhikode Railway Stations have been received and are under evaluation. A dedicated organization viz. Indian Railway Stations Development Corporation Ltd. (IRSDC) was set up in the year 2012 for the purpose of station redevelopment on Indian Railways. Seven stations viz., Anand Vihar, Bijwasan, Chandigarh, Habibganj (Bhopal), Shivaji Nagar (Pune), Surat and Gandhinagar have been entrusted to Indian Railway Stations Development Corporation Ltd. (IRSDC) for redevelopment.

Out of the above eight stations, offers have been finalized for Habibganj and Gandhinagar and Letter of award has been issued on 07.06.2016 and 03.01.2017 respectively and works are in progress.

An MOU has been signed by Ministry of Railways with Ministry of Urban Development for integrated planning for station redevelopment projects in cities identified as SMART cities in association with Smart City authorities. Ten (10) stations i.e; Tirupati, Delhi Sarai Rohilla, Nellore, Madgaon, Lucknow, Gomtinagar, Kota, Thane New, Ernakulam Jn. and Puducherry have been taken up for redevelopment under this scheme, jointly by Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA) & National Building Construction Company (NBCC). Bids for Gomtinagar has been invited on 06.01.2018.

Rail Land Development Authority has been entrusted to redevelop Safdarjung Station in New Delhi along with IRCON.

The cost of station redevelopment is to be met by leveraging commercial development of vacant land/air space in and around the

station. Therefore, railway funds are not required for station redevelopment projects. Such projects shall generally be cost neutral to Railways.

(d): As these projects are complex in nature and require detailed techno-economic feasibility studies, no time frame has been presently set for completion of these projects.

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