

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1257
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2018**

SMART RAILWAY STATIONS

1257. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total budget allocated for the development of railway stations on the lines of smart cities in the country so far along with the facilities upgraded/being upgraded at these railway stations under the said project;**
- (b) the number of railway stations of Gujarat identified under the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT); and**
- (c) whether any special financial provision has been made for the railway stations in border areas under the said Mission and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1257 BY SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 25.07.2018 REGARDING SMART RAILWAY STATIONS

(a): Railways have planned for redevelopment of major railway stations by making Indian Railway Stations Development Corporation Limited (IRSDC) as Nodal Agency, through simplified procedures and with longer lease tenures. Redevelopment of stations is planned through leveraging of commercial development of vacant land/air space in and around stations. Therefore, no funds have been earmarked for the purpose. Such projects shall generally be cost neutral to Railways. A redeveloped station generally envisages provision of following amenities:

- **Segregation of arrival/departure of passengers**
- **Essential facilities at concourse**
- **Integration of both sides of city**
- **Integration with other modes of transport**
- **No parcel movement across the length of platform**
- **User friendly international signages etc.**

Also, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been entered into between Ministry of Railways (MOR) and Ministry of Urban Development (MOUD) for integrated planning of redevelopment of railway stations in the cities included in the 'SMART Cities' and Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) scheme and 10 railway stations are planned to be redeveloped under the 'SMART Cities' scheme.

(b): There are 31 cities covered under AMRUT scheme in the State of Gujarat. Important railway stations in these cities are planned to be included in the station redevelopment programme, in a

phased manner. Gandhinagar and Surat railway stations have already been entrusted to IRSDC for redevelopment. Work has commenced at Gandhinagar station. Bids for redevelopment of Surat station have been invited.

(c) No special financial provision has been separately made for the railway stations in border areas under the 'SMART Cities' or AMRUT schemes.
