

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 94
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.07.2018**

KOLLAM RAILWAY STATION

94. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government conducts study regarding the delay in execution of works in Railways, if so, the details thereof and the mechanism in place to ensure timely completion of projects;**
- (b) the present stage and progress of construction work of second entry and modernisation work at Kollam railway station;**
- (c) the proposed date of completion of second entry work and modernisation work in Kollam and the reasons for delay, if any, in this regard;**
- (d) the details of action taken for implementation of MPLAD works in second entry; and**
- (e) whether the Government proposes to develop the Kollam railway station in light of its high income generation and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 94 BY SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 18.07.2018 REGARDING KOLLAM RAILWAY STATION

(a): Reviewing of pending/ongoing projects is a continuous process taken up with the concerned authorities to assess impediments affecting the projects and their mitigation to expedite progress of the projects. To expedite completion of projects, a number of initiatives have been taken to speed up the works like increased allocation of funds, funding through loan from Institutions like Life Insurance Corporation, execution of projects through Special Purpose Vehicles, etc. Besides these, to reduce delays on account of land acquisition, security issues and forestry clearances etc, meetings with State Officials at various levels are held from time to time.

(b) to (e): The scope of work of construction of second terminal building at Kollam Railway Station involves provision of Booking Office, circulating area, parking facility. The work of building on second entry has already been completed upto 90 %.

The Foot Over Bridge work connecting second entry to all the platforms at Kollam Railway Station has been sanctioned under Rashtriya Rail Sanraksha Kosh(RRSK) Fund.

The work of Construction of Compound Wall Entry Gate with illuminated Board (Glow sign Board) under MPLADS for Second entry at Kollam Railway Station has been taken up.

Works on two escalators(one each at platform No.1, platform No. 2 & 3) and two lifts (one each at platform No. 1, platform No. 2 & 3) are going on and will be completed expeditiously.
