

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2435
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.12.2018**

WORLD CLASS RAILWAY STATIONS

†2435. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the major steps taken to improve the standard of the railway stations in metropolitan cities of the country to make them world class railway stations;**
- (b) the State/Union territory-wise details of the railway stations selected for developing as smart railway stations; and**
- (c) the details of the budget expenditure incurred/allocated for the said purpose?**

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. 2435 BY SHRI NIHAL CHAND TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 26.12.2018 REGARDING WORLD CLASS RAILWAY STATIONS

(a) and (b): Government has recently approved Railways' proposal for redevelopment of railway stations by Indian Railway Stations Development Corporation Limited (IRSDC) as Nodal Agency, through simplified procedures and for longer lease tenure. Accordingly, all the stations on Indian Railways, located in various States and Union Territories of the country, have been entrusted to IRSDC for undertaking the techno-economic feasibility studies. Based on the outcome of the feasibility studies, the stations are planned to be taken up for redevelopment in phases. Presently, work of redevelopment is in progress at Gandhinagar and Habibganj stations. Contracts have been awarded for Gomtinagar and Charbagh (Lucknow) stations.

(c) The cost of station project is to be met by leveraging commercial development of land and air space in and around the stations. Therefore, no funds are earmarked for this purpose.
