GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 319 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.12.2018

REDEVELOPMENT OF STATIONS WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES HELP

†319. SHRI GOPAL SHETTY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways proposes to redevelop the Railway Stations which are crucial from the Urban Development perspective and have become crowded over a period of time and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether some foreign countries have shown interest in the redevelopment of these stations; and
- (c) if so, the names of such countries and the cost of redevelopment of such railway stations?

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. 319 BY SHRI GOPAL SHETTY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 12.12.2018 REGARDING REDEVELOPMENT OF STATIONS WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES HELP

(a) Government of India has launched schemes of 'SMART Cities' and Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) for the redevelopment and rejuvenation of the cities with a population of more than 1 lakh and covering Capitals of all States and Union Territories. With a view to providing the cities covered in these schemes with a redeveloped railway station which is integratedly planned with the surrounding parts of their cities, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed between Ministry of Railways (MOR) and Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs for mutual cooperation between the two Ministries for integrated planning of redevelopment of railway stations in the cities included in these schemes. This would lead to development of integrated public transit hub around the railway stations and encourage Transit Oriented Development.Further, an MoU between Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA) and National Building Construction Corporation Ltd. (NBCC - Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs' representative agency) has been signed on 30.06.2017 for development of 10 stations viz Tirupati, Delhi SaraiRohilla, Nellore, Madgaon, Lucknow, Gomtinagar, Kota, Thane new, Ernakulam Jn. and Puducherry. At present, contracts have been awarded for Gomtinagar and Charbag (Lucknow) station and bids are under evaluation for Tirupati stations. Bids have been invited for Puducherry station.

Union Cabinet 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, necessary action has been initiated for redevelopment of major railway stations all over the country in a phased manner.

(b) & (c): A large number of Foreign Railways have shown keen interest in the stations redevelopment program and an agreement has been signed with the French Railway (SNCF) for joint study on Renovation Concept Design of Ambala and Ludhiana stations. Korean railway has also expressed interest in the redevelopment of New Delhi Station.

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