

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.332
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.12.2018**

DEVELOPMENT OF STATION UNDER PPP MODE

332. SHRI GUTHA SUKENDER REDDY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways are planning to invite private participation in the development works of Railway stations through Swiss Challenge Method;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the details of the railway stations selected for development under this method; and**
- (d) whether any Railway stations in Telangana are identified for development under this method and if so, the details thereof ?**

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.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.332 BY SHRI GUTHA SUKENDER REDDY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 12.12.2018 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF STATION UNDER PPP MODE

(a) to (c): Railways had invited bids on modified bid challenge method for 23 stations. Bids were received for two stations only, viz. Jammu Tawi and Kozhikode stations, which are under evaluation. No bids were received for other stations. During various interactions with developers, investors and other stakeholders, various issues including longer lease period for commercially developed assets, multiple sub leasing, simplified bid procedures etc were repeatedly raised. Therefore, an improvised and simpler program design including these issues and under a specialized executing agency, incorporating suitable structural, process and parameters changes, has been adopted to revamp the station redevelopment program.

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. IRSDC shall be the main Project Development Agency (PDA) for redevelopment of stations. However, Ministry of Railways may also designate Zonal Railways, Rail Land Development Authority or any other Central Government agency as PDA. The PDAs shall undertake redevelopment of stations on any of the various business models such as various mode of PPP, Modified Bid

Challenge method, Joint Venture (JV) with State Government entities, and JV with other Public Sector Undertakings etc. The cost of station redevelopment project is to be met by leveraging commercial development of land and air space in and around the stations.

(d): All major stations on Indian Railways, including those stations located in the State of Telangana, have been entrusted to IRSDC and other PDAs for undertaking the techno-economic feasibility studies.
