

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1779
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.02.2019**

MODERNISATION OF RAILWAY STATIONS

**1779. SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:
SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:
SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of railway stations developed by the Government to provide world class facilities to the passengers across the country so far, zone-wise;**
- (b) the existing policy for revamping and transforming of railway stations in this regard;**
- (c) whether the Government has sought participation of private sector in modernisation of railway stations across the country;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the response of the private sector thereto;**
- (e) whether the Government has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) with foreign countries in this regard;**
- (f) if so, the details thereof, country-wise along with the terms and conditions of such MoUs; and**
- (g) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide world class facilities in all the railway stations of the country?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1779 BY SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE, SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB AND SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 13.02.2019 REGARDING MODERNISATION OF RAILWAY STATIONS

(a)&(b): Government has 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 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. The cost of station redevelopment project is to be met by leveraging commercial development of land and air space in and around the stations.

The facilities proposed in a redeveloped station include congestion free non-conflicting entry/exit to the station premises, segregation of arrival/departure of passengers, adequate concourse without overcrowding, integration of both sides of the city wherever feasible, integration with other modes of transport systems e.g. Bus, Metro, etc., user friendly international signage, well illuminated circulating area and sufficient provision for drop off, pick up & parking etc.

The work of redevelopment is in progress at Gandhinagar (Western Railway) and Habibganj (West Central Railway) railway stations. Contracts have been awarded for Gomtinagar (North Eastern Railway) and Charbagh (North Eastern Railway) stations. Tenders have been invited for redevelopment of Anand Vihar (Northern Railway), Bijwasan (Northern Railway), Chandigarh (Northern Railway), Jammu Tawi

(Northern Railway), Kozhikode (Southern Railway) and Puducherry (Southern Railway) railway stations.

(c)&(d): Yes, Madam. Railways have planned for redevelopment of major railway stations by fixing developers. Private developers have shown interest where tenders for redevelopment of station have been floated like Habibganj (Bhopal), Gandhinagar (Gujarat), Gomtinagar, Charbagh (Lucknow) etc.

(e)&(f): No Memorandum of Understanding for redevelopment of railway stations exists between India and other countries.

(g): Station redevelopment is also planned through the following schemes:

- 1. Jointly by Ministry of Railways and other Ministries of Government of India.**
- 2. By involving Public Sector Undertakings of Central Government.**
- 3. In cooperation with State Governments.**

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