GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.354 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.07.2019

PASSENGER AMENITIES AT RAILWAY STATIONS

†*354. SHRI BHAGIRATH CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of funds allocated for passenger amenities at Kishangarh, Nasirabad, Vijaynagar and Beawar railway stations along with the railway stations of district headquarters, Ajmer in Ajmer Parliamentary Constituency during the last five years, year and station-wise;

(b) whether display screens have been installed at the platforms of all the said railway stations for the convenience of passengers and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the provision of installing two new escalators and lifts at the new railway station premises of Kishangarh (Ajmer) has been made in the last Budget and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the work of installation of the said escalators and lifts has not been started so far due to alleged careless and negligent attitude of senior officials of the Railway Department; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for delay in the said work?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.354 BY SHRI BHAGIRATH CHAUDHARY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 17.07.2019 REGARDING PASSENGER AMENITIES AT RAILWAY STATIONS

(a) Various passenger amenities are proposed to be provided at Railway stations which are identified for development under various schemes as per the respective category of the station and the works for all passenger amenities at Railway stations are generally funded under Plan Head – 53 'Passenger Amenities'. The details of allocation for development of stations are maintained Zonal Railway-wise and not Station-wise. Kishangarh, Nasirabad, Bijainagar, Beawar and Ajmer railway station fall under North Western Railway and the funds allocated under Budgetary Sources for this Plan Head-53, for North Western Railway during the last five years and the current year are as under:-

| YEARS (Revised Estimates) | ALLOCATION |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| 2014-15 | ₹ 42.18 crs. |
| 2015-16 | ₹ 60.31 crs. |
| 2016-17 | ₹ 53.42 crs. |
| 2017-18 | ₹ 57.87 crs. |
| 2018-19 | ₹ 155.89 crs. |
| 2019-20 (Budgeted Estimate) | ₹ 186.17 crs. |

(b) Display screens are available at all platforms of Ajmer and Beawar Railway Stations. In addition, display screen at Platform No.1 of Kishangarh Station has been provided and the work for provision of display screens is in progress at Platform No.2. However, Nasirabad and Bijainagar are 'NSG-5' Category stations and thus they are not considered for provision of display screen as per norms.

(c) Indian Railways do not propose to provide escalators at Kishangarh (Ajmer) Railway Stations. However, one lift is sanctioned for Kishangarh Railway Station.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

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