

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3970
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.07.2019**

**DEVELOPMENT OF RAILWAY STATION AS WORLD CLASS
STATION**

3970. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Varkala Sivagiri Railway Station in Kerala has been selected by the Indian Railway Station Development Corporation (IRSDC) to develop it as a world class station and if so, the present status of the plan;**
- (b) whether IRSDC prepared a master plan for the same and if so, the details thereof along with the estimated cost and funding in this regard;**
- (c) whether the State Government of Kerala has signed an MoU with IRSDC and set up any high power committee for the same; and**
- (d) if so, the details and outcome thereof?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (d): Yes, Sir. Varkala Sivagiri Railway Station has been entrusted to Indian Railway Stations Development Corporation Limited(IRSDC) for undertaking Techno-economic Feasibility Study as a part of the station redevelopment programme of Railways.

IRSDC has initiated a draft Memorandum of Understanding(MOU) between State Government of Kerala and IRSDC for redevelopment of Varkala station.
