GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.853 TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.06.2019

UPGRADATION OF RAILWAY STATIONS

853. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has decided for upgradation/ modernization of some railway stations in the country including Karnataka;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the upgradation work has been completed in all those railway stations;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (e) Upgradation/modernization of stations on Indian Railways is a continuous and on-going process. Works for improvement of passenger amenities are undertaken depending upon need, volume of passenger traffic and inter-se priority, subject to availability of funds.

Presently, Railway stations are upgraded/modernized under 'Adarsh' Station Scheme based on identified need of providing better enhanced

passenger amenities at stations. Various passenger amenities which, inter-alia, include improvement to façade of the station building, retiring room, waiting room (with bathing facilities), separate waiting room for ladies, landscaping of circulating area, earmarked parking, signages, Pay & Use toilets, Foot Over Bridge, ramps at entry to station etc. are proposed to be provided at Railway stations which are identified for development under this scheme as per the respective category of the station and the works for which are funded under Plan Head 'Passenger Amenities'.

'Adarsh' Station Scheme has been started since 2009-10 and presently, Railway stations are upgraded/modernised under 'Adarsh Station Scheme'. The scheme provides for development of stations, including State of Karnataka. Selection of railway stations under 'Adarsh Station Scheme' is based on the identified need for providing better enhanced passenger Amenities at stations.

Since then, 1253 stations including 45 stations in the State of Karnataka have been identified for development under this scheme, out of which 1103 stations including 35 stations in the State of Karnataka so far have been developed under 'Adarsh Station Scheme' and remaining stations are targeted to be developed by 2019-20.

Further, Ministry of Railways has decided to redevelop major stations in the country by using funds generated from monetization of land. Major stations in Karnataka shall also be taken up under this policy.
