GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 7 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.12.2022

SMART STATIONS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to develop the existing railway stations throughout the country as per international standards and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the number of railway stations identified to be upgraded as smart stations in the country, particularly in Karnataka, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand;
- (c) the details of funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized for redevelopment of all such stations during each of the last three years and the current year, Station-wise;
- (d) the number of railway stations already upgraded to international standards/converted to smart stations during each of the last three years, year/Station-wise:
- (e) whether the Government has set any target for the said redevelopment works and if so, the derails thereof; and
- (f) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to redevelop such stations in a time bound manner?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 7 BY SHRI P.C. MOHAN AND SHRI RAVI KISHAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.12.2022 REGARDING SMART STATIONS

(a) to (f): Ministry of Railways is undertaking techno-economic feasibility studies for redevelopment of Stations. Based on the outcome of these feasibility studies, stations are planned to be taken up for redevelopment in phases, especially the stations located in major cities and important tourist destination.

Work for redevelopment has been taken up at 43 stations while 21 stations are at different stages of tendering and planning on Indian Railways including Yeshvantpur, Bengaluru cantt. Railway Stations in the State of Karnataka; Ajni, Jalna, Aurangabad, Nagpur, Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus Railway Stations in the State of Maharashtra; Indore, Khandwa, Gwalior Railway Stations in the State of Madhya Pradesh and Ranchi Railway Station in the State of Jharkhand.

Modernisation and Upgradation of railway stations and amenities is a continuous and ongoing process on Indian Railways and these works are carried out through the Plan-Head Customer Amenities (PH-53). The allocation and expenditure under PH-53 are maintained Zonal Railway-wise not Stationwise. There are 12 zones, namely, Central Railway, Eastern Railway, East Central Railway, East Coast Railway, North Central Railway, Southern Railway, South Central Railway, South Eastern Railway, South East Central Railway, South Western Railway, Western Railway and West Central Railway, which cater to the State of Karnataka, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand. The details of funds allocated and expenditure incurred by the 12 Railways under Plan Head-53 'Customer Amenities', during the last three years and current year i.e. 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23 (till Oct. 2022) is appended.

Three railway stations viz. Rani Kamalapati Railway Station (Madhya Pradesh) and Gandhinagar Railway Station (Gujarat) have been developed and commissioned in 2021 and Sir M. Visvesvaraya Terminal (Karnataka) has been commissioned in 2022.

Redevelopment of Railway Stations at this scale is complex in nature and requires detailed techno-economic feasibility studies and various statutory clearances from urban/local bodies etc. and these factors affect the completion time. Therefore, no time-frame can be indicated.

APPENDIX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 7 BY SHRI P.C. MOHAN AND SHRI RAVI KISHAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.12.2022 REGARDING SMART STATIONS

(Fig . ₹ in crore)

Zonal Railway	2019-20		2020-21		2021-22		2022-23	
	Allo- cation	Expen- diture	Allo- cation	Expen- diture	Allo- cation	Expen- diture	Allo- cation	Expenditure (Till Oct, 2022)
Central	235.96	231.83	288.78	275.85	207.56	152.94	234.38	63.99
Eastern	112.84	115.26	182.14	158.96	151.16	145.21	173.98	47.32
East Central	13.43	141.92	166.87	165.46	166.83	146.42	162.39	84.22
East Coast	96.14	94.79	103.16	87.16	89.03	66.99	109.53	32.75
North Central	65.30	77.64	182.94	163.41	134.81	118.82	147.57	65.14
Southern	111.55	114.44	213.11	204.71	218.22	154.23	327.78	64.46
South Central	151.39	150.29	199.37	219.69	191.56	154.56	135.15	52.50
South Eastern	76.67	82.01	109.89	118.22	140.16	111.60	176.53	56.87
South East Central	53.82	55.83	107.14	118.76	67.15	65.18	60.90	32.43
South Western	82.66	80.61	114.80	115.13	135.33	112.13	137.94	31.96
Western	254.45	254.61	252.01	318.04	261.00	255.77	311.62	91.78
West Central	37.39	34.10	50.95	46.08	66.00	49.93	77.32	18.68
