

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1338  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.12.2022**

**RENOVATION OF RAILWAY PLATFORMS**

**1338. SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI :  
SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI :**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to revamp/renovate around 200 railway stations across the country including five in Tamil Nadu and three in Kerala;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government has fixed any timeline for this project and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the renovation works in all the stations in Tamil Nadu and Kerala including Chennai Egmore and Kanya Kumari have been started if so, the details thereof;**
- (e) whether Southern Railway has undertaken feasibility study for preparing detailed project report for the projects and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (f) the details of other facilities proposed to be provided for the travellers at the railway stations keeping in view the huge increase in passenger traffic?**

**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.**

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1338 BY SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI AND SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 14.12.2022 REGARDING RENOVATION OF RAILWAY PLATFORMS**

**(a) to (f): Ministry of Railways is undertaking techno-economic feasibility studies for the redevelopment of stations across the country and 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 destinations. Work for redevelopment has been taken up at 45 stations while 22 stations are at different stages of tendering and planning on Indian Railways. So far, Ernakulam Junction, Ernakulam Town, Kollam and Thiruvananthapuram stations in the State of Kerala and Chennai Egmore, Kanyakumari, Katpadi, Madurai and Rameswaram stations in the State of Tamil Nadu have been taken up for redevelopment under the scheme of 'Major Upgradation of Stations' on Indian Railways. The tenders for the above stations have been awarded recently and the works are at early stages.**

**Techno-economic feasibility studies are being conducted in Southern Railway for Avadi, Puratchi Thalaivar Dr. M.G. Ramchandran Central, Coimbatore Jn, Kumbakonam, Tambram, Tirunelveli Railway Stations in the State of Tamil Nadu and Chengannur, Kozhikode, Thrisur and Varkala Railway stations in the State of Kerala, Mangalore Central in the State of Karnataka.**

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

**The proposed upgradation/redevelopment shall be futuristic with a traffic projection of 40-60 years horizon. The developed station shall have segregation of arrival/departure facilities, adequate concourse, integration of both sides of the city, provision of multi-modal integration of transport i.e. Bus, Metro etc for the travellers at the railway stations keeping in view the huge increase in passenger traffic. Further, The facilities envisaged at redeveloped stations will also include provision of spacious Roof Plaza, food court, waiting lounge, children play area, designated space for local products and facilities for 'Divyangjans' etc. amongst others.**

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