

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2474
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.03.2023**

UPGRADATION OF RAILWAY STATIONS IN RAJASTHAN

2474. SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has upgraded railway stations in the country into smart stations during the last five years;

(b) if so the details thereof including Rajasthan;

(c) the details of improvements done to railway stations in order to transform them into smart stations; and

(d) whether there are any plans to convert railway stations in Pali, Rajasthan into smart station, if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS &
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2474 BY SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 15.03.2023 REGARDING UPGRADATION OF RAILWAY STATIONS IN RAJASTHAN.

(a) to (d): Modernisation/Upgradation of Railway Stations is a continuous and ongoing exercise. Three stations viz: Rani Kamlapati in the State of Madhya Pradesh, Gandhinagar in the State of Gujarat and Sir M. Visveswaraya Railway Station in the State of Karnataka have been redeveloped/modernized so far.

Based on the experience gained from these three stations, the Amrit Bharat Station scheme has been launched for development of stations on Indian Railways. This scheme envisages development of stations on a continuous basis with a long term approach. It involves preparation of Master Plans and their implementation in phases to improve the amenities at the stations like improvement of station access, circulating areas, waiting halls, toilets, lift/escalators as necessary, cleanliness, free Wi-Fi, kiosks for local products through schemes like 'One Station One Product', better passenger information systems, Executive Lounges, nominated spaces for business meetings, landscaping etc. keeping in view the necessity at each such station.

The scheme also envisages improvement of building, integrating the station with both sides of the city, multimodal integration, amenities for Divyangjans, sustainable and environment friendly solutions, provision of ballast less tracks, 'Roof Plazas' as per necessity, phasing and feasibility and creation of city centres at the station in the long term.

So far, 1275 Stations have been identified for development under Amrit Bharat Station scheme out of which 82 stations are in the state of Rajasthan including Sojat Road, Marwar Jn., Somesar, Rani, Falna & Jawai bandh Railway Stations of Pali District.
