

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 980  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.02.2023**

**GREEN RAILWAY**

**980. SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT:  
DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:  
SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:  
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:**

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

- (a) whether Central Organisation for Railway Electrification (CORE) has an important contribution in making Indian Railways a Green Railway with an emphasis on reducing carbon emissions and dependence on fuel;**
- (b) if so, the extent to which Railways targets to reduce fuel bill in future;**
- (c) whether the Government has a target 100% electrification of broad-gauge by December, 2023;**
- (d) if so, the details of routes electrified during 2022, particularly in Odisha and steps taken to achieve the targets by December, 2023;**
- (e) the details of funds allocated, released and utilised so far for development of passenger amenities/other developmental activities at Berhampur and Paralakhemundi railway stations during each of the last three years;**
- (f) the details of passenger amenities provided at these stations during the said period;**
- (g) whether the Railways proposes to declare and develop Berhampur Railway Station as Terminal Station; and**
- (h) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

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

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

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (h) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 980 BY SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT, DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE, SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE AND SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 08.02.2023 REGARDING GREEN RAILWAY**

**(a) Yes, Sir.**

**(b) Anticipated fuel bill savings will be 5 to 10% in next year by shifting diesel traction to electric traction.**

**(c) Yes, Sir.**

**(d) 7,123 Route Kilometers (RKM) have been electrified during the calendar year 2022, which includes following sections in the State of Odisha:**

<b>Section</b>	<b>Route Kilometer</b>
<b>Aulnajori-Badampahar</b>	<b>33</b>
<b>Bhanjpur - Bangriposi</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>Naungaon-Nayagarh</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>91</b>

**To achieve the electrification target in time, various steps have been taken by Indian Railways which include among others; creation of 'Gati Shakti Directorate' in Railway Board for smooth and speedy approval of projects at Railway Board level and ensuring effective project monitoring mechanism. In addition, large size projects are being executed in Engineering Procurement and Construction (EPC) contract mode, assured funding is being ensured through 'Extra Budgetary Resource' (Institutional Finance) and decentralization of financial powers to field units to expedite the project execution and completion.**

**(e) The details of allocation and expenditure for development and maintenance of stations are maintained zonal railway-wise and neither state-wise nor station-wise. Development of stations and provision of passenger amenities are generally funded under Plan Head - 53 'Customer Amenities'. Brahmapur and Paralakhemundi Railway Stations fall under the East Coast Railway. The details**

**of funds allocated and expenditure incurred by the East Coast Railway under Plan Head-53 'Customer Amenities', during last three years and current year i.e. 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23 (till December, 2022) are as under:-**

**(figures in crores of ₹)**

<b>Zonal Railway</b>	<b>2019-20</b>		<b>2020-21</b>		<b>2021-22</b>		<b>2022-23</b>	
	<b>Allo- cation (Revised Estimate)</b>	<b>Expen- diture</b>	<b>Allo- cation (Revised Estimate)</b>	<b>Expend- iture</b>	<b>Allo- cation (Revised Estimate)</b>	<b>Expend- iture</b>	<b>Allo- cation (Revised Estimate)</b>	<b>Expend- iture (Till Dec., 2022)</b>
<b>ECoR</b>	<b>96.14</b>	<b>94.79</b>	<b>103.16</b>	<b>87.16</b>	<b>89.03</b>	<b>66.99</b>	<b>109.53</b>	<b>61.06</b>

**(f) Details of passenger amenities provided at these stations during the last three years are as under:-**

**1. Brahmapur:**

**(i) Widening of FOB along with lift facility for all platforms and escalator at PF no. 4 provided.**

**(ii) Toilet facility for both ladies and gents provided on island platform no. 2 & 3 on both ends.**

**(iii) Work of development of road, footpath, drain, compound wall and garden, lawn etc. completed in connection with improvement to circulating area.**

**2. Paralakhemundi: Toilet for Divyangjan provided.**

**(g) No, Sir.**

**(h) Does not arise.**

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