GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 295 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2023

SPECIAL PACKAGE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF STATION

*295. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is likely to allocate a special package for the development of Irinjalakkuda railway station in Thrissur district; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 295 BY SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 09.08.2023 REGARDING SPECIAL PACKAGE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF STATION

(a) and (b): Ministry of Railways has launched 'Amrit Bharat Station Scheme' for development of Stations on Indian Railways. This scheme envisages development of stations on a continuous basis with a long term approach.

The scheme 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 WiFi, 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, 1309 number of Stations have been identified for development under this scheme across the country out of which 35 stations are from the State of Kerala. A List of those stations from Kerala including those from Thrissur district is Appended.

Irinjalakkuda Railway Station is a Non Suburban Grade 5 (NSG5) category railway station. All Minimum Essential Amenities (MEA) like waiting hall, shelter, drinking water, toilets, foot over bridge etc. have already been provided at this station as per norms.

Further, upgradation/modernisation of stations as part of any scheme/special package or otherwise is a continuous and ongoing process and works in this regard are undertaken as per requirement subject to inter-se priority of works and availability of funds.

APPENDIX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 295 BY SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 09.08.2023 REGARDING SPECIAL PACKAGE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF STATION.

(a) & (b): List of Stations Identified for development under 'Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in the State of Kerala including those from Thrissur District.

SNo.	State	No. of stations	Name of Stations
1	Kerala	35	Alappuzha, Angadippuram, Angamali For Kaladi, Chalakudi, Changanassery, Chengannur, Chirayinikil, Ernakulam, Ernakulam Town, Ettumanur, Ferok, Guruvayur, Kasargod, Kannur, Kayankulam, Kollam, Kozhikode, Kuttippuram, Mavelikara, Neyyatinkara, Nilambur Road, Ottappalam, Parappanangadi, Payyanur, Punalur, Shoranur Jn., Thalassery, Thiruvananthapuram, Thrisur, Tirur, Tiruvalla, Tripunithura, Vadakara, Varkala, Wadakancheri
