

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. 98  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.07.2023**

**AMRIT BHARAT STATION SCHEME**

**\*98. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:  
SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN:**

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

**(a) whether the Railways is planning to modernize 1000 small yet important stations across the country under the new 'Amrit Bharat Station Scheme' and if so, the details thereof, State - wise;**

**(b) whether Changanassery, Chengannur, Nileswaram and Kanhangadu in Kerala and Nizamabad in Andhra Pradesh have also been included under this scheme;**

**(c) if so, the number of railway stations in Kerala, West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Odisha that are included /proposed to be included under this scheme;**

**(d) total budget earmarked/ allocation made for each of these stations;**

**(e) whether the Detailed Project Report has been approved by the Competent Authorities and if so, the details thereof;**

**(f) whether there is any provision of promoting local artisans under the one station one product initiative and if so, the State-wise details thereof; and**

**(g) the time by which the scheme is likely to be implemented along with the criteria for selection of railway stations under this scheme?**

**ANSWER**

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

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.98 BY SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH AND SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 26.07.2023 REGARDING AMRIT BHARAT STATION SCHEME**

**(a) to (g) The Amrit Bharat Station Scheme has recently been launched for development of Railway 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 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 ballastless tracks, 'Roof Plazas' as per necessity, phasing and feasibility and creation of city centres at the station in the long term.**

**Under the Scheme, 1309 stations have been identified for upgradation/modernisation over Indian Railways as per below table:**

<b>S. NO</b>	<b>STATE</b>	<b>NO. OF STATIONS</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>	<b>72</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Arunachal Pradesh</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Assam</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Bihar</b>	<b>92</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Chattisgarh</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Delhi</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Goa</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Gujarat</b>	<b>87</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Haryana</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Himachal Pradesh</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>Jharkhand</b>	<b>57</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>Karnataka</b>	<b>56</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>Kerala</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>	<b>80</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>Maharashtra</b>	<b>126</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>Manipur</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>Meghalaya</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>Mizoram</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>Nagaland</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>Odisha</b>	<b>57</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>Punjab</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>Rajasthan</b>	<b>83</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>Sikkim</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>Tamil Nadu</b>	<b>75</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>Telangana</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>Tripura</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>UT of Chandigarh</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>UT of Jammu &amp; Kashmir</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>UT of Puducherry</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>156</b>

<b>31</b>	<b>Uttarakhand</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>32</b>	<b>West Bengal</b>	<b>98</b>

**Changanassery and Chengannur stations in the State of Kerala and Nizamabad station in the State of Telangana are included in this scheme.**

**The details of allocation for development and maintenance of stations including for Amrit Bharat Station Scheme are maintained Zonal Railway-wise under Plan Head-53 'Customer Amenities' and not station-wise or state-wise. The details of funds allocated under Plan Head-53 'Customer Amenities', for the current financial year i.e. 2023-24 is as under:-**

**(Fig. in ₹ crore)**

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Zonal Railway</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Central</b>	<b>937.75</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Eastern</b>	<b>378.52</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>East Central</b>	<b>781.52</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>East Coast</b>	<b>699.66</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Northern</b>	<b>2799.53</b>
<b>6.</b>	<b>North Central</b>	<b>930.40</b>
<b>7.</b>	<b>North Eastern</b>	<b>273.50</b>
<b>8.</b>	<b>Northeast Frontier</b>	<b>400.91</b>
<b>9.</b>	<b>North Western</b>	<b>858.75</b>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Southern</b>	<b>1242.58</b>

<b>11.</b>	<b>South Central</b>	<b>961.86</b>
<b>12.</b>	<b>South Eastern</b>	<b>480.40</b>
<b>13.</b>	<b>South East Central</b>	<b>183.11</b>
<b>14.</b>	<b>South Western</b>	<b>468.21</b>
<b>15.</b>	<b>Western</b>	<b>1540.83</b>
<b>16.</b>	<b>West Central</b>	<b>401.41</b>
<b>17.</b>	<b>Metro</b>	<b>16.06</b>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13355.00</b>

**So far detailed project reports/detailed estimates for 1117 stations have been sanctioned.**

**Indian Railways have launched “One Station One Product” (OSOP) scheme with the objective to provide enhanced livelihood opportunities for local artisans, potters, weavers/handloom weavers, craftsmen etc. Under this scheme, Indian Railways are providing fixed stalls/kiosks, portable stalls/trolleys at railway stations for showcasing, selling and giving high visibility to indigenous/local products of the area.**

**The products category is indigenous/Geographical Indications (GI) tagged/local to that place and could include artefacts, handicrafts, textiles and handlooms, toys, leather products, traditional appliances/ instruments, garments, gems and jewellery, etc made by local artisans, weavers, craftsmen, tribes, etc and processed, semi processed and other food products**

**indigenously made/grown in the area. Some of the products under OSOP scheme include Warli Painting, Gir Wild honey, Bhagaia (Godda) silk, Ilkal sarees, Pattachitra & Pipli Applique, Sambalpuri sarees, Pochampally sarees, Tant handloom sarees, Ragi biscuit.**

**Pilot project of this scheme was launched on 25.03.2022. On completion of pilot phases, instructions were issued on 02.03.2023 to proliferate the scheme on a full scale basis to expand the number of OSOP outlets and number of stations covered.**

**As on 30.06.2023, OSOP scheme has been implemented on 754 stations with 824 operational outlets. Identification of the stations under this scheme is done at the Divisional level with the approval of Divisional Railway Manager (DRM).**

**Stations have been selected under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme based on proposals received from Zonal Railways, stations located in major cities and towns. Amrit Bharat Station Scheme involves preparation of Master Plans and their implementation in phases to improve the amenities at the stations. Further, redevelopment of stations is complex in nature involving safety of passengers and trains and requires 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.**