

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1030
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.07.2023**

**LAUNCHING AMRIT BHARAT STATION SCHEME FOR THAWE RAILWAY
STATION**

1030. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Amrit Bharat Station scheme has recently been launched for Thawe railway station which is one of the stations identified for development under the scheme;**
- (b) if so, the measures taken in this regard;**
- (c) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has only single response/reply for demand of trains that is introduction of train service is an ongoing process on Indian Railways, subject to operational feasibility, commercial viability and availability of resources and if so, the details in this regard;**
- (d) whether 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 Thawe station is progressing under Amrit Bharat Station scheme; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1030 BY DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 26.07.2023 REGARDING LAUNCHING AMRIT BHARAT STATION SCHEME FOR THAWE RAILWAY STATION

(a), (b), (d) and (e) Ministry of Railways has recently launched 'Amrit Bharat Station Scheme' for development of Railway stations on Indian Railways. Thawe Railway Station is one of the Stations identified under this scheme. 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.

Station development process are 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.

(c) No, Sir. Indian Railways (IR) is alive to the travelling needs of passengers and constantly endeavours to expand/augment railway connectivity throughout the length and breadth of the country, *inter alia* by introducing new train services, extending and increasing the frequency of existing train services. Given the vastness and diversity of the country and in view of the fact the demands far exceed the available resources, all efforts are made to ensure their optimal utilization.
