

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 242
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.12.2023**

REDEVELOPMENT OF STATIONS

***242. MS. DEBASREE CHAUDHURI:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has introduced Amrit Bharat Station Scheme for redevelopment of stations in the country;**
- (b) if so, the salient features and details of the development planned under the scheme, State-wise particularly in West Bengal, Bihar, North East, Karnataka, Gujarat, Odisha Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Delhi and Madhya Pradesh including Gwalior and Dabra stations;**
- (c) the number of stations included under the scheme in the country especially in the aforesaid States;**
- (d) the manner in which these stations are likely to facilitate better passenger experience and better connectivity in Railways;**
- (e) the details of budgetary allocation and expenditure incurred thereof, State and station-wise; and**
- (f) the number of stations already upgraded along with the timeline for completion of remaining stations, State-wise?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
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(a) to (f): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF
STARRED QUESTION NO. 242 BY MS. DEBASREE CHAUDHURI TO BE
ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 20.12.2023 REGARDING
REDEVELOPMENT OF STATIONS**

(a) to (f): 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 centers at the station in the long term.

So far, 1309 number of stations have been identified for development across the country including Gwalior and Dabra of Madhya Pradesh. A state-wise list of number of identified stations is given below:-

S.N.	State	No. of Stations
1	Andhra Pradesh	72
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1
3	Assam	50
4	Bihar	92
5	Chhattisgarh	32
6	Delhi	13
7	Goa	3
8	Gujarat	87
9	Haryana	34
10	Himachal Pradesh	4
11	Jharkhand	57
12	Karnataka	56
13	Kerala	35
14	Madhya Pradesh	80
15	Maharashtra	126
16	Manipur	1
17	Meghalaya	1
18	Mizoram	1
19	Nagaland	1
20	Odisha	57
21	Punjab	30
22	Rajasthan	83
23	Sikkim	1
24	TamilNadu	75
25	Telangana	40
26	Tripura	4
27	UT of Chandigarh	1
28	UT of Jammu and Kashmir	4
29	UT of Puducherry	3
30	Uttar Pradesh	156
31	Uttarakhand	11
32	West Bengal	98
Total		1309

The details of allocation and expenditure for development and maintenance of stations are maintained Zonal Railway-wise and not State-wise/UT-wise or Station-wise. Development of stations and provision of Passenger amenities are generally funded under Plan Head-53 'Customer Amenities'. During the year 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23 total Rs 6737.97 crore expenditure has been incurred under Plan Head-53 and the allocation for the current year is ₹13,355 crore.

Further, Modernization/Development of Railway Stations is complex in nature involving safety of passengers & trains and requires various statutory clearances such as fire clearance, heritage, tree cutting, airport clearance etc. The progress also gets affected due to brown field related challenges such as shifting of utilities, (involving water/sewage lines, optical fibre cables, gas pipe lines, power/signal cables etc.) infringements, operation of trains without hindering passenger movement, restrictions due to works carried out in close proximity of high voltage power lines etc .and these factors affect the completion time .Therefore, no time frame can be indicated at this stage.
