

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1666
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2023**

DEVELOPMENT OF VIJAYAWADA RAILWAY STATION

1666. SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS

(a) whether Vijayawada Railway Station is one of the stations selected for upgradation under the Amrit Bharat Station scheme for modernization of railway stations;

(b) if so, whether the Master Plan for the development of Vijayawada station has been prepared and approved by the competent authorities;

(c) if so, the details of the works sanctioned ?

(d) whether the upgradation of passenger information systems at select stations includes the provision of real-time information on the live status of train position and delays based on the RTIS system; and

(e) if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor?

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. 1666 BY SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 13.12.2023 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF VIJAYAWADA RAILWAY STATION

(a) to (c) 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. 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 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 stations including Vijayawada railway station have been identified for redevelopment under this scheme across Indian Railways. Vijayawada is at Master Planning stage which is an iterative process requiring optimisation and the details of and time frame for such optimisation can not be provided at this stage.

(d) & (e) Real time information on the live status of train position is provided through National Train Enquiry System (NTES). The train running information is made available to passengers through NTES Mobile App Website (enquiry.indianrail.gov.in) and Passenger Information Systems at Railway Stations. The live running status of Train is captured in the National Train enquiry System from various sources viz. Real Time Train Information System (RTIS), Section Controllers and Data Loggers.
