GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1782 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2023

AMRIT BHARAT STATIONS IN MADHYA PRADESH

†1782. DR. DHAL SINGH BISEN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of stations in Madhya Pradesh which have been declared as Amrit Stations;
- (b) the details of the works proposed to be carried out in the said stations and the funds likely to be sanctioned in this regard;
- (c) the names of stations in Balaghat Parliamentary Constituency (South East Central Railway- Nagpur Division) which have been declared as Amrit Stations; and
- (d) the time by which the said work is likely to be completed?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1782 BY DR. DHAL SINGH BISEN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 13.12.2023 REGARDING AMRIT BHARAT STATIONS IN MADHYA PRADESH

(a) to (d) The Amrit Bharat Station Scheme has 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 across the Country, including 80 stations in the State of Madhya Pradesh, have been identified for upgradation/modernisation over Indian Railways. There are 02 stations namely, Balaghat and Seoni falling in Balghat Parliamentary Constituency (South East Central Railway – Nagpur Division) which have been identified for development as Amrit

Bharat Stations. The names of stations in the State of Madhya Pradesh are as under:

State	Count	Name of Stations
Madhya Pradesh	80	Akodia, Amla, Anuppur, Ashoknagar, Balaghat, Banapura, Bargawan, Beohari, Berchha, Betul, Bhind, Bhopal, Bijuri, Bina, Biyavra Rajgarh, Chhindwara, Dabra, Damoh, Datia, Dewas, Gadarwara, Ganjbasoda, Ghoradongri, Guna, Gwalior, Harda, Harpalpur, Hoshangabad, Indore, Itarsi Jn., Jabalpur, Junnor Deo, Kareli, Katni Jn, Katni Murwara, Katni South, Khachrod, Khajuraho, Khandwa, Khirkiya, LaxmiBai Nagar, Maihar, Maksi, Mandlafort, Mandsaur, MCS Chhatarpur, Meghnagar, Morena, Multai, Nagda, Nainpur, Narsinghpur, Neemuch, Nepanagar, Orchha, Pandhurna, Pipariya, Ratlam, Rewa, Ruthiyai, Sanchi, Sant Hirdaram Nagar, Satna, Saugor, Sehore, Seoni, Shahdol, Shajapur, Shamgarh, Sheopur Kalan, Shivpuri, Shridham, Shujalpur, Sihora Road, Singrauli, Tikamgarh, Ujjain, Umaria, Vidisha, Vikramgarh Alot

The details of fund allocation are maintained Zonal Railway-wise under Plan Head-53 'Customer Amenities' and not station-wise. During the current financial year 2023-24, an outlay of ₹13355 crore has been allocated to zonal Railways under this Plan Head.

Further, development/redevelopment/upgradation of Railway Stations is complex in nature involving safety of passengers &

trains and requires various statutory clearances such as fire clearance, heritage, tree cutting, air-port 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, speed 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.
