

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.647  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.11.2019**

**DEVELOPMENT OF KOLLAM STATION TO INTERNATIONAL  
STANDARD**

**647. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:**

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

- (a) whether the railways has identified stations for development to international standards;**
- (b) if so, the details of amenities and development included in the stations proposed for development to international standards;**
- (c) the details of works proposed and initiatives taken at Kollam Railway Station as a part of development;**
- (d) whether the construction of pit line is essential for the development of Kollam Railway Station;**
- (e) if so, the action taken for construction of pit line; and**
- (f) the details of proposals pending with railways for the construction of pit line at Kollam Railway Station?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY**

**(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 647 BY SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 20.11.2019 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF KOLLAM STATION TO INTERNATIONAL STANDARD**

**(a) & (b): Ministry of Railways through various agencies is undertaking techno-economic feasibility studies of Railway stations. Based on the outcome of these feasibility studies, stations are planned to be taken up for redevelopment in phases, especially the stations located in major cities, pilgrimage centres and important tourist destinations. The cost of station redevelopment project is to be met by leveraging commercial development of land and air space in and around the stations. The railway stations are taken up for redevelopment based on financial viability. Presently, work of redevelopment is in progress at Gandhinagar(Gujarat) and Habibganj(Bhopal) stations.**

**The facilities proposed in a redeveloped station include congestion free non-conflicting entry/exit to the station premises, segregation of arrival/departure of passengers, adequate concourse without overcrowding, integration of both sides of the city wherever feasible, integration with other modes of transport systems e.g. Bus, Metro, etc., user friendly international signage, well illuminated circulating area and sufficient provision for drop off, pick up & parking etc.**

**(c) Kollam railway station has been entrusted to Rail Land Development Authority(RLDA) for redevelopment. RLDA has**

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**initiated process for engaging Consultant for feasibility study, detailed master planning, urban designing, engineering and preparation of Detailed Project Report(DPR).**

**(d) to (f) Construction of Pit line is not planned at Kollam railway station.**

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