### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2142 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.03.2020

#### **ELEVATION OF RAILWAY STATIONS**

#### †2142. SHRI KHAGEN MURMU: SHRI AJAY KUMAR MISRA TENI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of railway stations elevated in the country during the last five years especially in Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal; and
- (b) the facilities provided to the passengers on the said elevated stations?

#### **ANSWER**

## MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) and (b): Upgradation/modernization of stations on Indian Railways is a continuous and on-going process.

Presently, Railway stations are upgraded/modernized under 'Adarsh' Station Scheme based on identified need of providing better enhanced passenger amenities at stations.

In the state of West Bengal, 384 stations have been identified under Adarsh Station Scheme and all these stations have been upgraded/developed under this scheme. In the state of Uttar Pradesh, 152 stations have been identified under Adarsh Station Scheme. Against this, 127 stations have been upgraded/developed and remaining 25 stations are planned to be developed by 2020-21.

In West Bengal and Uttar Pradesh, under soft-upgradation scheme, various passenger amenities which, inter-alia, include

improvement to façade of the station building, retiring room, waiting room (with bathing facilities), separate waiting room for ladies, landscaping of circulating area, earmarked parking, signages, Pay & Use toilets, Foot Over Bridge, ramps at entry to station etc. are provided at these Railway stations as per the respective category of the station depending upon need, volume of passenger traffic and inter-se priority, subject to availability of funds.

Additionally, in financial year 2018-19, 07 stations of Uttar Pradesh namely Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Junction, Prayagraj Junction, Jhansi, Mathura, Varanasi City, Izzatnagar & Gorakhpur and 05 stations in West Bengal namely Asansol, Howrah, Sealdah, Darjeeling and Adra have been substantially upgraded.

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