GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2816 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.03.2019

REDEVELOPMENT OF RAILWAY STATIONS TO INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS

2816. DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE: SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways proposes to re-develop the existing Railway Stations to International Standards;

(b) if so, the details of criteria fixed for identification of stations for the said purpose;

(c) whether the Railways has fixed any timeline under which such re-development work of such railway stations will be completed and if so, the details in this regard;

(d) the details of the funds allocated, released and actually utilized on re-development work, particularly stations identified in Maharashtra during each of the last three years;

(e) whether Railways has signed any MoU with State Government of Maharashtra; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the status of the said MoU so far?

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. 2816 BY DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE AND SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 11.03.2020 REGARDING REDEVELOPMENT OF RAILWAY STATIONS TO INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. It is Railway's endeavour to redevelop Railway stations by leveraging real estate potential of sparable railway land and air space in and around the station. For this, Railway conducts techno-economic feasibility studies of stations across the country. Based on the outcome of these feasibility studies, stations are taken up for redevelopment in phases. At present, process for redevelopment of three stations viz. Ajni, Nagpur and Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus in the State of Maharashtra has been initiated.

(c): Station redevelopment program, at this scale, is first of its kind and complex in nature and requires detailed techno-financial feasibility studies and various statutory clearances from local bodies etc. Therefore, no time-frame can be indicated at this stage.

(d): Redevelopment of stations is planned through leveraging commercial development of sparable land and air space in and around railway stations, i.e. station redevelopment projects shall generally be cost neutral to Railways.

(e) & (f): No, Sir.

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