

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

LOK SABHA

**STARRED QUESTION NO. 296
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.03.2022**

MODERNISATION OF RAILWAY STATIONS

†*296. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the comprehensive steps taken to modernise the standard of railway stations in various small and big cities included in the 'Smart Cities' scheme of the country as per the global standards;**
- (b) the State/UT-wise details of the railway stations identified for the purpose and the details of the budget allocated and spent in this regard; and**
- (c) the number of railway stations across the country where the facilities provided have been upgraded to the global standards during the last two years along with the State/UT-wise details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 296 BY SHRI NIHAL CHAND TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 23.03.2022 REGARDING MODERNISATION OF RAILWAY STATIONS

(a) to (c): For development of Railway stations, Ministry of Railways has formulated various developmental schemes viz. Model, Modern and Adarsh Station Schemes for upgradation / modernization / augmentation of stations on Indian Railways including stations in various small and big cities.

Presently, Railway stations are upgraded/modernized under Adarsh Station Scheme based on identified need of providing better enhanced passenger amenities at stations. 1253 railway stations over Indian Railways have been identified for development under Adarsh Station Scheme. Out of these, 1213 railway stations have been developed and the remaining 40 stations are targeted for development in Financial Year 2022-23.

Recently, a new scheme of major upgradation of railway station has been initiated. The facilities envisaged in this scheme includes rebuilding/ improvement/ augmentation of station building, 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, user friendly signages, well illuminated circulating area and sufficient provision for drop off, pick up & parking etc., and all facilities of Divyangjans among other facilities as per requirement and feasibility. So far 41 stations have been identified for major upgradation under this scheme.

Also, New Delhi railway station and Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus are identified for development under Hybrid Built Operate Transfer model of Public Private Partnership (PPP).

Two railway stations viz. Rani Kamlapati and Gandhinagar have been developed and commissioned on 15.11.2021 and 16.07.2021 respectively. One more station, i.e., Sir M. Visvesvaraya Terminal, Bengaluru is ready for commissioning.

The details of allocation and expenditure for development and maintenance of stations are maintained zonal Railway-wise and not State-wise. These amenities are generally funded under Plan Head – 53 ‘Passenger Amenities’. The details of funds allocated under Budgetary Sources for this Plan Head-53, over Indian Railways during the last five years i.e.2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21 and current year 2021-22 are as under: -

| (₹ in Crore) | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Financial Year | Actual Expenditure |
| 2015-16 | 1081.21 |
| 2016-17 | 981.25 |
| 2017-18 | 1286.80 |
| 2018-19 | 1585.86 |
| 2019-20 | 1903.11 |
| 2020-21 | 2582.92 |
| 2021-2022 (till Feb, 2022) | 1566.32 |
