GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1368 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.02.2022

AMENITIES AT RAILWAY STATIONS

1368. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:
SHRI ANNASAHEB SHANKAR JOLLE:
SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA:
SHRI SANGANNA AMARAPPA:
SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to modernise and enhance amenities at various railway stations in Karnataka, including KSR Bengaluru, Koppal, Baiyappanahalli, Yeshwantpur, Shimogga, Gulbarga, Mysuru, Belagavi, Ghataprabha, Kudachi and Shedbal railway stations;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the allocations, if any, made by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government has received any request from the Government of Karnataka in this regard and if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (d) whether the Government has developed any model station and is considering replicating the same model across other railway stations and if so, the details thereof along with the basic amenities included in the said model and the action taken in this regard?

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.1368 BY SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA, SHRI ANNASAHEB SHANKAR JOLLE, SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA, SHRI SANGANNA AMARAPPA AND SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 09.02.2022 REGARDING AMENITIES AT RAILWAY STATIONS

(a) to (c) 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 Karnataka, 44 Stations were identified for upgradation under Adarsh Station Scheme. Out of these, 42 stations including Gulbarga, Belagavi, Koppal and Kudachi have been developed under the Adarsh Station Scheme and the remaining 02 stations are targeted for development in Financial Year 2022-23.

The expenditure on development of stations under Adarsh Station Scheme is generally funded under Plan Head –53 'Passenger Amenities'. There are 04 railway zones, namely Central Railway, Southern Railway, South Central Railway and South Western Railway, which cater to the State of Karnataka. The amount of funds allocated in these 04 zones under Plan Head-53 'Passenger Amenities', in the last three years and current year is as under:-

(₹ in crore)

Zonal Railway	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
	Allocation	Allocation	Allocation	Allocation
Central Railway	262.67	235.96	288.77	230.58
Southern Railway	147.47	106.74	213.11	224.57
South Central Railway	186.33	151.39	199.36	199.49
South Western Railway	61.22	82.66	114.8	153.42

(d) Model station scheme was in vogue from 1999 to 2008. Under this scheme, 594 stations on all Indian Railways were selected for upgradation and all the identified stations have been developed under this scheme. Under the Adarsh Station Scheme, various passenger amenities such as improvement to facade of the station building, retiring room, waiting room (with bathing facilities), separate waiting room for ladies, computer based public address system, signages, Pay & Use toilets, water coolers, high level platforms, Foot Over Bridges, ramps at entry to station for Divyangjan and Senior Citizens etc. are provided at Railway stations identified for development under the 'Adarsh' station scheme as per the respective category of the station.
