

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 208
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.02.2022**

UPGRADATION OF THRISSUR RAILWAY STATION

208. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government will upgrade Thrissur Railway Station as per International standards;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the passenger trains between Shornur-Nilambur, Thrissur-Kannur, Shornur-Coimbatore will be operated soon;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof;**
- (e) whether the Government has achieved any progress in the Guruvayur-Thirunavaya railway line since 2014; and**
- (f) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(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.208 BY SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 02.02.2022 REGARDING UPGRADATION OF THRISSUR RAILWAY STATION

(a) & (b): Ministry of Railways is exploring various possibilities to develop Railway Stations under different models based on techno-economic feasibility studies including Thrissur Railway Station in the State of Kerala.

(c) & (d): In view of the COVID-19 pandemic, presently, 7 unreserved Express Special viz. 06017/06018 Shoranur-Ernakulam Special, 06023/06024 Kannur-Shoranur Special, 06797/06798 Palakkad-Ernakulam Special and 06481 Kozhikode-Kannur Special services are serving the Kannur-Shoranur-Ernakulam and Palakkad-Ernakulam sector. Besides, Indian Railways is keeping a close watch on the situation and regulating services accordingly.

(e) & (f): The New Line Project between Guruvayur and Tirunavaya for a length of 35 KM was sanctioned in 1995-96 at a cost of ₹ 137.71 crore. Latest anticipated cost of project is ₹ 477 crore.

Final Location Survey (FLS) could be done only for about 8 KM upto Kunnamkulam. Though an Agency was fixed for final location survey between Kunnamkulam and Tirunavaya and the trial survey to finalise the final alignment was already completed, the FLS had to be stopped due to severe public protest against the alignment.

FLS could not be taken up further due to continuous public protest against the alignment.
