

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4420
TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.03.2022**

RAISING PLATFORM AT EDAKKAD RAILWAY STATION

4420. SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal for improvement of the platform surface along with raising the platform from medium level to high level at Edakkad Railway Station within Kannur Lok Sabha Constituency;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Railway Board has approved the proposal to raise the platform at Edakkad Railway Station, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the expected timeline for execution of the project?

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.4420 BY SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 30.03.2022 REGARDING RAISING PLATFORM AT EDAKKAD RAILWAY STATION

(a) to (d) At present, Railway stations are categorized as Non Suburban Grade (NSG)-1 to NSG6, Suburban Grade (SG)-1 to SG3 and Halt Grade(HG)-1 to HG3. Etakkot railway station is a NSG-6 category railway stations having medium level platform.

Considering the safety aspects, it has been decided to provide railway stations with High Level Platforms irrespective of its category of station on Broad Gauge which was not the case earlier, as only erstwhile 'A1', 'A' & 'C' category stations were provided with High Level platforms. However, priority are accorded to higher category of station over lower category of station while sanctioning and executing the work of raising the height of platforms. The work for Etakkot railway station is not sanctioned at present.
