GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4455 TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.03.2022

ADARSH STATION SCHEME IN TELANGANA

4455. SHRI B.B. PATIL :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of the Adarsh Station scheme;
- (b) the details and number of railway stations upgraded so far in the country including Telangana under this scheme;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated, released, sanctioned and utilised in this regard during the last three years;
- (d) the details of the targets fixed and achievements made till date with regard to the said scheme;
- (e) the details of amenities and facilities provided/likely to be provided at these stations and the present status of work and estimated time for the completion of the upgradation works;
- (f) whether the Government proposes to cover some more stations of Telangana under this scheme; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4455 BY SHRI B.B. PATIL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 30.03.2022 REGARDING ADARSH STATION SCHEME IN TELANGANA.

(a): Modernisation/upgradation of Railway stations is a continuous and on-going process. Upgradation of stations under Adarsh Station Scheme was started from 2009-10. Selection of Railway stations under this scheme is based on the identified need for upgradation of passenger amenities/facilities at railway stations depending upon the category of station.

(b) to (e): Under Adarsh Station Scheme, 1253 stations have been identified for development over Indian Railways, out of which 1213 stations have been developed so far and the remaining 40 stations are targeted to be developed/modernised in the Financial Year 2022-23. In the state of Telangana, 27 stations which were identified for development under this Scheme, have already been developed.

The expenditure on development of stations under Adarsh Station Scheme is generally funded under Plan Head–53 'Passenger Amenities'. The details of allocation and expenditure for development and maintenance of stations are maintained Zonal Railway-wise and not State-wise. Telangana is covered by South Central Railway.

The details of funds allocated and expenditure incurred by South Central Railway under Plan Head-53 'Passenger Amenities', during the last three years i.e. 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21 and current year i.e. 2021-22 (till February, 2022) is as follows:-

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Zonal Railway	2018-19		2019-20		2020-21		2021-22	
	Allo- cation	Expend- iture	Allo- cation	Expend- iture	Allo- cation	Expend- iture	Allo- cation	Expend- iture (till Feb, 2022)
South Central	132.96	76.39	151.39	150.29	199.37	219.69	191.56	76.97

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, 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.

(f) & (g): Selection of railway stations under Adarsh Station scheme is based on the identified need for upgradation of amenities in view of the requests/demands received from public representatives and recommendations from Zonal Railways. All the 27 stations identified for development in Telangana under this scheme have already been developed. However, augmentation/upgradation of passenger amenities at railway stations is a continuous process subject to availability of funds, volume of passenger traffic and inter-se priority of works.

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