GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2882 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2022

MODERNISATION OF RAILWAY STATIONS IN MAHARASHTRA

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of major railway stations that have been modernised along with the number of railway stations proposed to be modernised in Maharashtra and Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu especially in backward and rural areas of the country;
- (b) the details of the funds likely to be spent on each station along with the target fixed for modernisation of stations for the next financial year, Station-wise;
- (c) whether the Government conducted quality checks of modernisation works carried out at major railway stations of Maharashtra, Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu;
- (d) if so, the names of such railway stations where quality checks have been carried out along with the names of officers who conducted such quality checks;
- (e) the details of the works found to be of substandard quality and the action taken in this regard along with the details thereof, work-wise; and
- (f) whether the Government is considering to make the passenger amenities better at the railway stations and 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.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2882 BY SHRI VINAYAK RAUT, SHRI SANJAY JADHAV, SHRIMATI DELKAR KALABEN MOHANBHAI AND SHRI ARVIND GANPAT SAWANT TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 03.08.2022 REGARDING MODERNISATION OF RAILWAY STATIONS IN MAHARASHTRA

(a) & (b): Railway stations are upgraded/modernized under 'Adarsh' Station Scheme. Under the scheme, 1253 stations were identified for development, out of which 1215 stations have been developed so far and the remaining stations are targeted to be developed in the Financial Year 2022-23. 108 stations were identified for development under Adarsh Station in the state of Maharashtra and all 108 stations have been upgraded under the Scheme.

Recently, a new scheme of major upgradation of railway station has also been initiated, under which Ajni and Nagpur railway stations in the State of Maharashtra have been identified for redevelopment under Major Upgradation scheme.

Redevelopment of Railway Stations at this scale is complex in nature and requires detailed techno-economic feasibility studies and various statutory clearances from urban/local bodies etc. and these factors affect the completion time. Therefore, no time-frame can be indicated.

Passenger amenities are generally funded under Plan Head – 53 'Customer Amenities'. The details of allocation of funds and expenditure incurred for development and maintenance of stations are maintained zonal Railway-wise not State-wise or station-wise. There are 04 railway zones, namely, Central Railway, Western Railway, South Central Railway and South East Central Railway, which cater to the State of Maharashtra. The amount of

funds allocated in these 04 zones under Plan Head-53 'Customer Amenities', for the current year 2022-23 is as under: -

Railway	Amount (Crores)
Central	234.38
Western	311.62
South Central	135.15
South East Central	60.90

(c) to (e): Indian Railways has an inbuilt mechanism to check the quality of works, which is being performed at various levels by concerned Railway officials as per guidelines laid down in the Indian Railways Engineering Code, Indian Railways Works Manual and Specification etc. and the works meeting the laid down standards only are accepted.

No major quality issues have been noted so far. The minor nature of inferior quality of incidences found during execution is corrected then and there. Instructions of inferior quality of work and corrective action taken thereon are recorded in Site Order Book and other documents.

(f): Upgradation/modernization of stations on Indian Railways is a continuous and on-going process. Works for improvement of passenger amenities are undertaken depending upon need, volume of passenger traffic and inter-se priority, subject to availability of funds.
