

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2752
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.08.2024**

TRANSFORMATION OF BIJWASAN RAILWAY STATION

†2752 SHRI RAMVIR SINGH BIDHURI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Bijwasan railway station of South Delhi Parliamentary Constituency is being transformed into a world class station;**
- (b) the facilities likely to be provided in the said station;**
- (c) the funds being spent on Bijwasan Railway Station; and**
- (d) the time by which the said work is likely to be completed?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING 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. 2752 SHRI RAMVIR SINGH BIDHURI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.08.2024 REGARDING TRANSFORMATION OF BIJWASAN RAILWAY STATION

(a) to (d): Ministry of Railways has launched 'Amrit Bharat Station Scheme' for development of Stations on Indian Railways. This scheme envisages development of stations on a continuous basis with a long term approach. Bijwasan is one of the stations identified for development under this scheme.

This scheme involves preparation of Master Plans and their implementation in phases to improve the amenities at the stations like improvement of station access, circulating areas, waiting halls, toilets, lift/escalators as necessary, cleanliness, free Wi-Fi, kiosks for local products through schemes like 'One Station One Product', better passenger information systems, executive lounges, nominated spaces for business meetings, landscaping etc. keeping in view the necessity at each station.

The scheme also envisages improvement of building, integrating the station with both sides of the city, multimodal integration, amenities for Divyangjans, sustainable and environment friendly solutions, provision of ballastless tracks, etc. as per necessity, phasing and feasibility, identification of areas for property development and creation of city centres at the station in the long term.

At Bijwasan Railway station, tenders have been awarded and works are at advanced stages. Structural works of station building and subways have been completed. The works for provision of concourse, building finishes, utilities, station roofing, circulating area etc have been taken up.

The allocation of funds and expenditure for development and maintenance of stations are maintained Zonal Railway-wise and not State-wise/UT-wise or Station-wise, generally under Plan Head - 53 'Customer Amenities'. Bijwasan Railway Station falls under the jurisdiction of Northern Railway (NR). During the year 2024-25 (upto June, 2024) a total expenditure of ₹282.32 crores has been incurred by NR under Plan Head-53.

Modernization/Development of Railway Stations is complex in nature involving safety of passengers & trains and requires various statutory clearances such as fire clearance, heritage, tree cutting, airport clearance etc. The progress also gets affected due to brown field related challenges such as shifting of utilities, (involving water/sewage lines, optical fibre cables, gas pipe lines, power/signal cables etc.,) infringements, operation of trains without hindering passenger movement, restrictions due to works carried out in close proximity of high voltage power lines etc .and these factors affect the completion time .Therefore, no time frame can be indicated.
