GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1494 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.12.2024

NUMBER OF RAILWAY STATIONS UPGRADED TO MODEL STATIONS IN THE COUNTRY

1494. SHRI KAMAKHYA PRASAD TASA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that people of the country are depending on railway for travelling;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of railway stations upgraded to model stations in the country; and
- (d) the numbers of train providing services to the people in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d) Railway is very popular mode of transportation. It carries about 1.9 crore passengers every day. During the year 2023-24, Indian Railways operated more than 13,000 trains every day.

Modernization/upgradation/redevelopment of railway stations is a continuous and ongoing process and works in this regard are

undertaken as per requirement, subject to inter-se priority and availability of funds.

Presently, upgradation/modernization/redevelopment of stations over Indian Railways is being done under 'Amrit Bharat Station Scheme'. So far, 1337 stations have been selected under this scheme. This scheme envisages development of stations on a continuous basis with a long-term approach.

It 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, platform surfacing and cover over platform, 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 and creation of city centre at the station in the long term.
