GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1564 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.12.2024

REVAMPING PROGRAMME OF DELHI JUNCTION RAILWAY STATION

1564. SHRI PRAVEEN KHANDELWAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for revamping programme of Delhi Junction Railway Station and 10 other Railway Stations falling in Chandni Chowk Constituency of Lok Sabha;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken/to be taken by the Government to preserve its architectural heritage while revamping the station given the historical significance of the Delhi Junction railway station ?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1564 BY SHRI PRAVEEN KHANDELWAL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 04.12.2024 REGARDING REVAMPING PROGRAMME OF DELHI JUNCTION RAILWAY STATION

(a) to (c) : 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. 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, 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 such 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 ballast less tracks, etc. as per necessity, phasing and feasibility and creation of city centres at the station in the long term. Under this scheme, during development / upgradation of railway stations, elements of local context are suitably incorporated in the works carried out.

So far, 1337 Railway Stations including 13 stations falling in the National Capital Territory of Delhi have been identified for redevelopment under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme across India. The list of stations identified for development under this scheme in Delhi is given below:-

S.	State	No of	Name of Stations
No.		Stations	
1	Delhi	13	Adarshnagar Delhi, Anand Vihar, Bijwasan, Delhi, Delhi Cantt., Delhi Sarai Rohilla, Delhi Shahadra, HazratNizamuddin, Narela, New Delhi, SabziMandi, Safdarjung, Tilak Bridge

Development/redevelopment/upgradation 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, encroachments, operation of trains without hindering passenger movement, speed 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 at this stage.

The allocation of funds for development and maintenance of stations are maintained Zonal Railway-wise and not State-wise/UT-wise or Stationwise, generally under Plan Head - 53 'Customer Amenities'. As Delhi Junction Railway Station and other railway stations in National Capital Territory of Delhi fall under the jurisdiction of Northern Railway (NR), the allocation under Plan-Head-53 for Northern Railway in Budget 2024-25 is ₹3448.35 Crores.
