

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2611
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.12.2024**

MODEL RAILWAY STATIONS IN THE COUNTRY

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of the construction of model railway stations across the country;**
- (b) the number of railway stations in the country which have been developed/likely to be developed as model railway stations during each of the last three years and the current year, particularly for the State of Karnataka, State and zone-wise;**
- (c) the details of facilities provided at the model railway stations;**
- (d) the details of funds allocated during the last three years, year-wise and State/UT-wise; and**
- (e) whether the Government has set any target for developing all railway stations in the country as model railway stations, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
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(a) to (e) Presently, the railway stations over Indian Railways are being developed under the Amrit Bharat Station 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.

So far, 1337 stations have been identified under this scheme out of which 61 stations are located in the State of Karnataka. The names of stations identified for development under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in the State of Karnataka are as following:

State	No. of stations	Name of stations
Karnataka	61	Almatti, Alnavar, Arsikere Junction, Badami, Bagalkot, Ballary, Bangalore Cantt., Bangarpet, Bantawala, Belagavi, Bidar, Bijapur, Chamaraja Nagar, Channapatna, Channasandra, Chikkamagaluru, Chikodi Road, Chitradurga, Davangere, Dharwad, Dodballapur, Gadag, Gangapur Road, Gangavathi, Ghataprabha, Gokak Road, Gubbi, Harihar, Hassan, Hosapete, Kalaburagi, Kengeri, Kopal, Krantivira Sangolli Rayanna (Bengaluru Station), Krishnarajapuram, Malleswaram, Malur, Mandya, Mangalore Central, Mangalore Jn.,

		Munirabad, Mysore, Raybag, Raichur, Ramanagaram, Ranibennur, Sagar Jambagaru, Sakleshpur, Shahabad, Shivamogga Town, Shravanabelagola, Shree Siddharoodha Swamiji Hubballi Jn, Subramanya Road, Talguppa, Tiptur, Tumakuru, Udupi, Wadi, Whitefield, Yadgir, Yesvantpur
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The details of allocation of funds for development and maintenance of stations are maintained Zonal Railway-wise under Plan Head-53 'Customer Amenities' and not work-wise or Station-wise or State/UT-wise. The state of Karnataka is covered by four zones viz. Central Railway, South Western Railway, South Central Railway and Southern Railway. The allocation for last three financial years including the current financial year (2024-25) for these zones is Rs 9,430 Crores.

Further, 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 brownfield 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, speed restrictions due to works carried out in close proximity of tracks and high voltage power lines, etc. and these factors affect the completion time. Therefore, no time frame can be indicated at this stage.
