

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2671  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.12.2024**

**MODERNIZATION OF KERALA RAILWAY STATION**

**2671. SHRI K RADHAKRISHNAN:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

**(a) whether the Government is implementing any scheme for the modernization of railway stations in all over the country;**

**(b) if so, the details of the railway stations modernized during the last five years or proposed to be modernized, State-wise especially in Kerala; and**

**(c) the number of railway stations which are proposed to be modernized in the country including Kerala?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND  
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

**(a) to (c) Ministry of Railways has launched 'Amrit Bharat Station Scheme' for development of Railway stations on Indian Railways. Amrit Bharat Station 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 station have been identified under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme, out of which 35 stations are located in the state of Kerala. The names of stations identified for development under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in the state of Kerala are as following:**

<b>State</b>	<b>No. of Stations</b>	<b>Name of Stations</b>
<b>Kerala</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>Alappuzha, Angadippuram, Angamali For Kaladi, Chalakudi, Changanassery, Chengannur, Chirayinikil, Ernakulam, Ernakulam Town, Ettumanur, Feroke, Guruvayur, Kannur, Kasargod,</b>

State	No. of Stations	Name of Stations
		<b>Kayankulam, Kollam, Kozhikode, Kuttippuram, Mavelikara, Neyyatinkara, Nilambur Road, Ottappalam, Parappanangadi, Payyanur, Punalur, Shoranur Jn, Thalassery, Thiruvananthapuram, Thrisur, Tirur, Tiruvalla, Tripunithura, Vada kara, Varkala, Wadakancheri</b>

**The details of allocation of funds for development and maintenance of stations are maintained Zonal Railway-wise under Plan Head-53 'Customer Amenities'. The state of Kerala is covered by Southern Railway Zone. The allocation for the financial year 2024-25 for this zone is Rs 1383 Crores.**

**Further, upgradation/development/redevelopment of stations over Indian Railways 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. However, priority for upgradation/development/redevelopment of stations is accorded to higher category station over lower category station while sanctioning and executing the works.**

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