### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 400 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.11.2024

#### UPGRADATION/BEAUTIFICATION OF RAILWAY STATIONS IN RAJASTHAN

**†400 SMT. SANJANA JATAV:** 

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the names and details of railway stations upgraded/beautified or being upgraded/beautified during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) the details of quantum of funds allocated as well as spent, Statewise / division-wise for upgrading / beautifying railway stations so far;
- (c) the quantum of funds spent on each station and the percentage of work completed so far, division-wise; and
- (d) the steps being taken/to be taken by the Government to complete the pending works at stations in different States of the country, especially Rajasthan within the stipulated time period?

#### 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.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 400 BY SMT. SANJANA JATAV TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 27.11.2024 REGARDING UPGRADATION/BEAUTIFICATION OF RAILWAY STATIONS IN RAJASTHAN

(a) to (d) Upgradation / modernisation of stations on Indian Railways is a continuous and on-going process and works in this regard are undertaken as per requirement, subject to inter-se priority and availability of funds. However, priority for upgradation/modernization of stations is accorded to higher category of station over lower category of station while sanctioning and executing the work. Ministry of Railways has launched 'Amrit Bharat Station Scheme' for development of Railway 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, 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 centres at the station in the long term.

So far 1337 station have been identified under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme, out of which 85 stations are located in the State of Rajasthan. The names of stations identified for development under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in the state of Rajasthan are as following:

State	No. of Stations	Name of Stations
Rajasthan	85	Abu Road, Ajmer, Alwar, Anupgarh, AsalpurJobner, Balotra, Bandikui, Baran, Barmer, Bayana, Beawar, Bharatpur, Bhawani Mandi, Bhilwara, Bijainagar, Bikaner, Bundi, Chanderiya, Chhabra Gugor, Chittorgarh Jn., Churu, Dakaniya Talav, Dausa, Deeg, Degana, Deshnoke, Dholpur, Didwana, Dungarpur, Falna, Fatehnagar, Fatehpur Shekhawati, Gandhinagar Jaipur, Gangapur City, Gogameri, Gotan, Govind Garh, Hanumangarh, Hindaun City, Jaipur, Jaisalmer, Jalor, Jawai Bandh, Jhalawar City, Jhunjhunu, Jodhpur, Kapasan, Khairthal, Kherli, Kota, Lalgarh, Mandal Garh, MandawarMahwa Road, Marwar Bhinmal, Marwar Jn., Mavli Jn., Merta Road, Nagaur, Naraina, Nim ka Thana, Nokha, Pali Marwar, Phalodi, Phulera, Pindwara, Rajgarh, Ramdevra, Ramganj Mandi, Rana Pratapnagar, Rani, Ratangarh, Ren, Ringas, Sadulpur, Sanganer, Sawai Madhopur, Shri Mahaveerji, Sikar, Sojat Road, Somesar, Sri ganganagar, Sujangarh, Suratgarh, Udaipur City, Raisinghnagar

The details of expenditure incurred 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-wise/Division-wise. The state of Rajasthan is covered by five zones viz. Northern Railway, North Central Railway, North Western Railway, Western Railway and West Central Railway. The allocation for the financial year 2024-25 and expenditure incurred for the financial year 2024-25 (up to October, 2024) for these zones are Rs 6952 Crores and Rs 2838 Crores respectively.

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, air-port 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 high voltage power lines, etc. and these factors affect the completion time. Therefore, no time frame can be indicated at this stage.

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