GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 481 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.07.2025

AMRIT BHARAT STATION SCHEME FOR UTTAR PRADESH

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of railway stations selected under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme (ABSS) in Uttar Pradesh particularly in Baghpat, Sitapur and Jaunpur Lok Sabha Constituencies;
- (b) the amount allocated, sanctioned and disbursed and spent for station redevelopment works in the said State under the ABS scheme during the last five years, year-wise, district-wise and station-wise;
- (c) the number of selected stations where Master Plans have been sanctioned;
- (d) the number of selected stations where DPR has been sanctioned along with the details of financial and physical progress of the work;

- (e) the status of DPR of Panipat-Meerut new railway line including the date of its submission;
- (f) whether the said project has received approval from the Ministry of Railways or any related authorities such as the Gati Shakti Unit and if so, the details thereof;
- (g) whether any timeline has been fixed for the commencement and completion of the railway line and if not, the reasons for the delay;
- (h) the estimated project cost and budgetary provisions made so far for the said line; and
- (i) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure security, cleanliness and improvement in passenger facilities at railway stations under the said scheme?

ANSWER

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

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(a) to (i) Ministry of Railways has launched Amrit Bharat Station Scheme for development / upgradation of stations over Indian Railways. So far, 1337 stations have been identified for development under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme, out of which 157 stations are located in the state of Uttar Pradesh. Out of which, phase-I works have been completed at 20

stations, Phase-I/Phase-II works have been taken up at 130 stations and 9 stations are at master planning / tendering stage.

The names of stations identified for development under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in the state of Uttar Pradesh are as following:

State	No. of Amrit Stations	Names of Amrit Stations			
Uttar	157	Achnera, Agra Cantt., Agra Fort, Aishbagh			
Pradesh		Jn, Akbarpur Jn, Aligarh, Amethi, Amrol			
		Anand Nagar Jn., Aonla, Ayodhya Dham			
		Junction, Azamgarh, Babatpur, Bachhrawan,			
		Badaun, Badshahnagar, Badshahpur, Baheri,			
		Bahraich, Balamau Jn., Ballia, Balrampur,			
		Banaras, Banda, Barabanki Jn, Bareilly,			
		Bareilly City, Barhni, Basti, Belthara Road,			
		Bhadohi, Bharatkund, Bhatni, Bhuteshwar,			
		Bijnor, Bulandsahar, Chandauli Majhwar,			
		Chandausi, Chilbila, Chitrakut dham karwi,			
		Chopan, Chunar Jn., Daliganj, Darshannagar,			
		Deoria Sadar, Dhampur, Dildarnagar, Etawah			
		Jn., Farrukhabad, Fatehabad, Fatehpur,			
		Fatehpur Sikri, Firozabad, Gajraula,			
		Garhmuktesar, Gauriganj, Ghatampur,			
		Ghaziabad, Ghazipur City, Gola Gokarnath,			
		Gomtinagar, Gonda, Gorakhpur, Govardhan,			
		Govindpuri, Gursahaiganj, Haidergarh,			
		Hapur, Hardoi, Hathras City, Idgah Agra Jn,			

Izzatnagar, Janghai Jn. Jaunpur City, Jaunpur Jn, Kannauj, Kanpur Anwarganj, Kanpur Bridge Left Bank, Kanpur Central, Kaptangani Jn, Kasqani Jn. Kashi, Khalilabad, Khorason road, Khurja Jn., Kosi Kunda Harnamganj, Kalan. Lakhimpur, Lalitpur Jn, Lambhua, Lohta, Lalganj, Lucknow (Charbagh) NR, Lucknow city, Lucknow Jn. (NER), Maa Belha Devi Pratapgarh Junction, Maghar, Maharaja Bijli Pasi, Mahoba Jn, Mailani Jn, Mainpuri Jn, Manak Nagar, Malhaur, Manikpur Mariahu, Mathura Jn, Mau Jn, Meerut City Mirzapur, Modinagar, Jn. Mohanlalganj, Moradabad Jn. Muzaffarnagar, Nagina, Najibabad Jn, Orai, Panki Dham, Phaphamau Jn, Phulpur, Pilibhit Jn, Pokhrayan, Prayag Jn, Prayagraj Jn, Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyay Jn , Rae Bareli Jn, Raja Ki Mandi, Ramghat Halt, Rampur Jn, Renukoot, Saharanpur Jn., Salempur, Seohara, Shahganj Jn, Shahjahanpur, Shamli, Shikohabad Jn., Shivpur, Siddharth nagar, Sitapur Jn., Sonbhadra, Sri Krishna Nagar, Sultanpur Jn, Suraimanpur, Swaminarayan Chappia, Takia, Tulsipur, Tundla Jn., Ujhani, Unchahar, Unnao Jn, Utraitia Jn, Varanasi

Cantt.,	Varanasi	City,	Vindhyachal,
Virangana	Laksh	ımibai,	Vyasnagar,
Zafarabad			

Modi Nagar station under Baghpat Parliamentary Constituency, Badshahpur, Janghai Junction, Jaunpur City, Jaunpur Junction, Shahganj Junction, Sri Krishna Nagar, Zafarabad stations under Jaunpur Parliamentary Constituency and Sitapur Junction station under Sitapur Parliamentary Constituency have been identified for development under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme.

Development works at railway stations under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in the state of Uttar Pradesh have been taken up at a good pace. Till now, phase-I works of 20 stations (Ayodhya Dham, Balrampur, Bareily City, Bijnor, Fatehabad, Gola Gokarnath Gomti Nagar, Govardhan, Govindpuri, Hathras City, Idgah Agra Jn., Izzatnagar, Mailani, Pokhrayan, Ramghat Halt, Saharanpur Jn., Siddharth Nagar, Suraimanpur, Swaminarayan Chappia, Ujhani) in the state of Uttar Pradesh have been completed under this scheme. The works at other stations have also been taken up at good pace and progress of some of above stations is as given below:

• At Modi Nagar station, work of improvement to station building, improvement to waiting area and toilets, 12m wide Foot Over Bridge, new platform shelters, have been completed and work of minor finishing items of building, platform surfacing, signage, improvement to circulating area and parking have been taken up.

- At Sitapur Junction station, work of construction of old station building façade, platform flooring, platform shelter, circulating area boundary wall have been completed and works of construction of new station building foundation, pay & use toilet renovation, circulating area road, parking etc. have been taken up.
- At Jaunpur Junction station, structural work of new station building, platform shelter and toilet block have been taken up.
- At Jaunpur City station, work of platform shelters has been taken up.
- At Lucknow (Charbagh & Junction) station, the structural works of the second entry station building, TTE Running Hostel, Store Depot have been completed and masonry work including other finishing works, concourse, Foot Over Bridge, second entry circulating area, main entry external development and platform no. 10/11 works have been taken up.
- At Prayagraj station, structural work of second entry side, Rail Mail Service & arrival, parcel & arrival buildings, and basement plaza at second entry, Electrical substation have been completed and finishing work of these structures have been taken up. Extension work of Foot Over Bridge no. 2 has been completed. Work of roof plaza and relocated structures have been taken up.
- At Ghaziabad station, structural work of station building at main entry side and second entry side, foundation work of Foot Over Bridge, roof plaza, electrical substation at main entry side and second entry side,

Magistrate building, Government Railway Police and Railway Protection Force buildings have been taken up.

Further development / redevelopment / upgradation / modernisation of stations on Indian Railways is a continuous and ongoing process and works in this regard are undertaken as per requirement, subject to interse priority and availability of funds. The priority for development / redevelopment / upgradation / modernisation of stations is accorded to higher category of station over lower category of station while sanctioning and executing the works.

Master planning is an iterative process requiring optimization and the time frame and other details for such optimization cannot be indicated at this stage.

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.

Development / upgradation / modernisation of stations including under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme is generally funded under Plan Head-53 'Customer Amenities'. The details of allocation and expenditure under Plan Head-53 are maintained Zonal Railway-wise and not work-wise, or station wise or state-wise. The state of Uttar Pradesh is covered under the jurisdiction of five railway zones, namely East Central Railway, North Central Railway, Northern Railway, North Eastern Railway, and West Central Railway. For these zones, the allocations and expenditures made over the last five financial years are as follows: in 2021–22, ₹707 crore was allocated and ₹632 crore expended; in 2022–23, ₹1,278 crore was allocated and ₹866 crore expended; in 2023–24, ₹3,888 crore was allocated and ₹2,915 crore expended; in 2024–25, ₹4,188 crore was allocated and ₹4,143 crore expended; and in 2025–26, ₹4,358 crore has been allocated, with an expenditure(up to June, 2025) of ₹877 crore incurred so far.

Development / 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.

Railway projects are survey/ sanctioned/ executed Zonal Railway wise and not State-wise/UT wise/District wise as the Railway projects may span across State/UT/District boundaries. Railway projects are sanctioned on the basis of remunerativeness, traffic projections, last mile connectivity, missing links and alternate routes, augmentation of congested/saturated lines, demands raised by State Governments, Central Ministries, Member of Parliament, other public representatives, Railway's own operational requirement, socio-economic considerations etc. depending upon throwforward of ongoing projects and overall availability of funds.

The Survey for Meerut-Panipat New Rail Line (104 Km) has been sanctioned for preparing Detailed Project Report. However, Panipat and Meerut are well connected with existing rail network via Delhi-Ghaziabad.

After firming up of Detailed Project Report (DPR), sanctioning of project requires consultation with various stake-holders including State Governments and necessary approvals viz. appraisal of NITI Aayog,

Ministry of Finance etc. As sanctioned of projects is a continuous and dynamic process, exact timelines cannot be fixed.

As on 01.04.2025, 49 Railway projects (10 New Line, 02 Gauge Conversion and 37 Doubling), of total length of 3,808 Km costing ₹62,360 crore falling fully/partly in the State of Uttar Pradesh are sanctioned, out of which 1,323 Km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹30,611 crore has been incurred upto March 2025.

The Status of work is summarized as under:-

Plan Head	No. of Projects	Total Length (in Km)	Length Commissioned (in Km)	Expenditure upto March 2025 (₹in Cr)
New Lines	10	1227	340	10517
Gauge Conversion	2	67	0	281
Double Multitracking	37	2513	983	19813
Total	49	3808	1323	30611

Budget allocation for infrastructure projects and safety works, falling fully/partly in Uttar Pradesh is as under:

Period	Outlay
2009-14	₹1,109 crore/year
2025-26	₹19,858 Cr. (nearly 18 times)

The completion of any Railway project depends on various factors like quick land acquisition by state government, forest clearance by officials of forest department, deposition of cost share by State Government in cost sharing projects, priority of projects, shifting of infringing utilities, statutory clearances from various authorities, geological and topographical conditions of area, law and order situation in the area of project(s) site, number of working months in a year for particular project site due to climate conditions etc.

Police' and 'Public Order' are state subject under the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India and therefore, State Governments are responsible for prevention, detection, registration, and investigation of crime and maintenance of law and order of Railways through their law enforcement agencies viz. Government Railway Police (GRP)/District Police. Railway Protection Force (RPF) supplements the efforts of GRP/District Police to provide better protection and security to railway property, passenger area passengers and for matters connected therewith.

The following steps are being taken by the Railway in coordination with GRP for the security of passengers in trains and at stations:-

- Surveillance is kept through CCTV cameras provided in number of coaches and at railway stations.
- For immediate assistance passengers can make complaint on Rail Madad Portal directly or through Helpline Number 139 [integrated with Emergency Response Support System (ERSS) No. 112].

- Railways are in regular touch with passenger through various social media platforms like twitter & facebook to enhance security of passengers and to address their security concern.
- Frequent announcements are made through Public Address System to educate passengers to take precautions against theft, snatching drugging etc.
- State Level Security Committee of Railways (SLSCR) have been constituted for all State/Union Territories under the Chairmanship of respective Director General of Police/Commissioner of State/Union Territories for regular monitoring and review of security arrangements of the Railways.
- RPF has established more than 750 Anti Human Trafficking Units (AHTUs) over the Indian Railways at Post (Thana) level to counter trafficking through Indian Railways.
- In coordination with Ministry of Women and Child Development (MoWCD), Child Help desks (CHDs) have been setup at selected railway station across the Indian Railway to safeguard children in need of care and protection. These CHDs are being operated by District Child Protection Units (DCPUs) at district level.

Cleanliness is a continuous process, and every endeavour is made to keep the station's premises in a properly maintained and clean condition. Various measures have been taken for improving cleanliness at stations (including those covered under the Amrit Bharat Scheme), which include:

Integrated housekeeping contracts at major stations.

- Mechanized cleaning and provision of two bin-type dustbins at several locations for segregation of biodegradable and nonbiodegradable wastes.
- Rag picking contracts and/or garbage disposal contracts are available at major stations.
- Prevention of falling of fecal matter on railway tracks by fitting bio-toilets in all passenger coaches, thereby ensuring cleaner railway stations.
- Installation of plastic bottle crushing machines at major stations.
