GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2984 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.12.2025

DEVELOPMENT OF BIRLA NAGAR RAILWAY STATION

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to include Birla Nagar Railway Station of Gwalior district under the Bharatmala Railway development scheme for the development, construction and upgradation of basic facilities and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Government proposes to increase the stoppages of passenger trains at Birla Nagar Railway Station in order to manage the pressure of trains and passengers at Gwalior Junction and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

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(a) and (b) At Birlanagar station of Gwalior district, located in Madhya Pradesh, high level platform, platform shelter, waiting hall, drinking water taps, seating arrangement, urinal, lavatory and Foot Over Bridge

amenities are available. The works of new platform no. 4/5, extension of Foot Over Bridge to platform no. 4/5 and Divyangjan ramp at platform no. 1 have been completed in recent years.

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 inter-se 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.

Ministry of Railways has launched Amrit Bharat Station Scheme for redevelopment of stations with a long-term approach.

The scheme involves preparation of master plans and their implementation in phases to improve the stations. The master planning includes:

- Improvement of access to station and circulating areas
- Integration of station with both sides of city
- Improvement of station building
- Improvement of waiting halls, toilets, sitting arrangement, water booths
- Provision of wider foot over bridge/air concourse commensurate with passenger traffic

- Provision of lift/escalators/ramp
- Improvement /Provision of platform surface and cover over platforms
- Provision of kiosks for local products through schemes like 'One Station One Product'
- Parking areas, Multimodal integration
- Amenities for Divyangjans
- Better passenger information systems
- Provision of executive lounges, nominated spaces for business meetings, landscaping, etc. keeping in view the necessity at each station.

The scheme also envisages 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 for development under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme, out of which 80 stations are located in Madhya Pradesh. The names of stations identified for development under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in Madhya Pradesh are as following:

State	No. of Amrit Stations	Names of Amrit Stations
Madhya	80	Akodia, Amla, Anuppur, Ashoknagar,
Pradesh		Balaghat, Banapura, Bargawan, Beohari,
		Berchha, Betul, Bhind, Bhopal, Bijuri,
		Bina, BiyavraRajgarh, Chhindwara, Dabra,
		Damoh, Datia, Dewas, Gadarwara,
		Ganjbasoda, Ghoradongri, Guna, Gwalior,
		Harda, Harpalpur, Indore Jn, Itarsi Jn,
		Jabalpur, Junnor Deo, Kareli, Katni Jn,
		Katni Murwara, Katni South, Khachrod,
		Khajuraho Jn, Khandwa, Khirkiya, Laxmi
		Bai Nagar, Maihar, Maksi Jn, Mandla Fort,
		Mandsor, M.C.S. Chhatarpur, Meghnagar,
		Morena, Multai, Nagda Jn, Nainpur Jn,
		Narmadapuram (Hoshangabad),
		Narsinghpur, Nepanagar, Nimuch, Orchha,
		Pandhurna, Pipariya, Ratlam, Rewa,
		Ruthiyai, Sanchi, Sant Hirdaram Nagar,
		Satna, Saugor, Sehore, Seoni, Shahdol,
		Shajapur, Shamgarh, Sheopur Kalan,
		Shivpuri, Shridham, Shujalpur, Sihora
		Road, Singrauli, Tikamgarh, Ujjain,
		Umaria, Vidisha, Vikramgarh Alot

Development works at railway stations under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in Madhya Pradesh have been taken up at a good pace. Till now, works of 10 stations (Beohari, Harpalpur, Katni South,M.C.S. Chhatarpur,Nainpur Jn., Narmadapuram (Hoshangabad), Orchha, Seoni, Shajapur, Shridham) in Madhya 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 the above stations is as given below:

- Gwalior station: The works of relocated office building blocks, structural work of relocated residential towers, Foot Over Bridge at Jhansi end, structural work of air concourse, structural work of West side arrival and departure concourse and mezzanine have been completed. The works of East side departure and arrival block, air concourse roofing work, central roof erection work, platform work, improvement of existing station building, extension of Foot Over Bridge, external development, arrival passage foundation work and finishing works of residential tower have been taken up.
- Dabra station: The works of porch, platform shelter, circulating area and approach road have been completed. The work of 12 m
 Foot Over Bridge has been taken up.
- Umaria station: The works of improvement of station building,
 waiting hall, Passenger Reservation System (PRS), parking area,
 approach roads, toilet, signages, coach indication board, train

- indication board and 12 m Foot Over Bridge have been completed. The finishing works have been taken up.
- Mandla Fort station: The works of improvement of station building, waiting hall, parking area, platform shelters, platform surfacing, signages, Passenger Announcement System, lifts and 12 m Foot Over Bridge have been completed. The finishing works have been taken up.
- Junnor Deo station: The works of booking office, waiting hall, porch, platform shelter, improvement of station building, circulating area, parking area, lifts, signages and 12 m Foot Over Bridge have been completed. The finishing works have been taken up.

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.Madhya Pradesh is covered under the jurisdiction of seven railway zones, namely, Central Railway, East Central Railway, North Central Railway, South Central Railway, South East Central, Western Railway and West Central Railway. For the last three years and the current year, ₹ 17,294 crore has been allocated while an expenditure of ₹ 14,008 crore has been incurred during the last three years and current year (up to October, 2025).

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, 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 tracks and high voltage power lines, etc. and these factors affect the completion time.

At present, Birlanagar stations is served by 14 train services providing connectivity inter alia to Gwalior, Agra Cantt., Etawah and Virangana Laxmibai Jhansi.

Besides, provision of stoppage of train services on Indian Railway depend on the traffic justification, operational feasibility including availability of extra time on the section & availability of matching infrastructure such as platform length etc.
