

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 471
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.03.2026**

REDEVELOPMENT OF MAJHWAR RAILWAY STATION UNDER ABSS

†*471. SHRI VIRENDRA SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any timeline has been fixed for completion of the ongoing works at railway stations under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in the country particularly in Varanasi district of Uttar Pradesh;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;**
- (c) the time by which the redevelopment work is being carried out at Majhwar station in Chandauli district under the scheme;**
- (d) the estimated time likely to be taken for completion of the said work;**
- (e) whether the Government proposes to operate any Vande Bharat train from Chandauli district to Delhi as the Chandauli Majhwar is the station for the district headquarters Chandauli in Uttar Pradesh; and**
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (f): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.471 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.03.2026 IN LOK SABHA

(a) to (f) Ministry of Railways has launched Amrit Bharat Station Scheme for redevelopment of stations with a long-term approach. So far, 1,338 stations have been identified for development under this scheme, out of which, 157 stations including Chandauli Majhwar, Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyay Jn. and Vyasnagar stations of Chandauli district and Babatpur, Banaras, Kashi, Lohta, Shivpur, Varanasi Cantt. and Varanasi City stations of Varanasi district, are located in Uttar Pradesh. The names of stations identified for development under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in Uttar Pradesh are as following:

State	No. of Stations	Names of Stations
Uttar Pradesh	157	Achnera, Agra Cantt., Agra Fort, Aishbagh Jn, Akbarpur Jn, Aligarh, Amethi, Amroha, 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,

State	No. of Stations	Names of Stations
		<p>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, Kaptanganj Jn, Kasganj Jn, Kashi, Khalilabad, Khorason road, Khurja Jn., Kosi Kalan, Kunda Harnamganj, Lakhimpur, Lalganj, Lalitpur Jn, Lambhua, Lohta, Lucknow (Charbagh) NR, Lucknow city, Lucknow Jn. (NER), Maa Belha Devi Pratapgarh Junction, Maghar, Maharaja Bijli Pasi, Mahoba Jn, Mailani Jn, Mainpuri Jn, Malhaur, Manak Nagar, Manikpur Jn, Mariahu, Mathura Jn, Mau Jn, Meerut City Jn, Mirzapur, Modinagar, 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,</p>

State	No. of Stations	Names of Stations
		Suraimanpur, Swaminarayan Chappia, Takia, Tulsipur, Tundla Jn., Ujhani, Unchahar, Unnao Jn, Utraitia Jn, Varanasi Cantt., Varanasi City, Vindhyachal, Virangana Lakshmibai Jhansi, Vyasnagar, Zafarabad

Completed stations:

Development works at railway stations under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in Uttar Pradesh have been taken up at a good pace. Till now, 23 stations in Uttar Pradesh have been completed. The name of stations completed in Uttar Pradesh are as following :

State	No. of stations	Name of stations
Uttar Pradesh	23	Ayodhya Dham Junction, Balrampur, Bareilly City, Bijnor, Fatehabad, Fatehpur, Gola Gokarnath, Gomtinagar, Govardhan, Govindpuri, Hathras City, Idgah Agra Jn, Izzatnagar, Khalilabad, Mailani Jn, Panki Dham, Pokhrayan, Ramghat Halt, Saharanpur Jn., Siddharth Nagar, Suraimanpur, Swaminarayan Chappia, Ujhani

The activities for development at other stations have also been taken up at good pace and progress of some of the stations is as given below:

Chandauli District:

- **Chandauli Majhwar station:** The works of improvement of existing station building, platform raising and extension of platform no. 1 & 4/5, toilet, circulating area and parking have been completed. The works of 6 m Foot Over Bridge, platform shelter and platform surfacing of platform no. 1 & 4/5 have been taken up.
- **Vyasnagar station:** The structural work of station building has been completed. The works of circulating area, parking and finishing of station building have been taken up.
- **Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyay Jn. station:** Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyay Jn. station is under Master planning stage. Master Planning is an iterative process requiring optimization and the time frame and other details for such optimization cannot be indicated at this stage.

Varanasi District:

- **Babatpur station:** The works of station building at second entry, circulating area, parking, platform shelter, platform raising and platform surfacing have been taken up.
- **Banaras station:** The works of improvement of existing station building, porch, boundary wall, circulating area, parking, waiting hall/room, toilet and platform shelter have been completed. The work of 12 m Foot Over Bridge has been taken up.
- **Shivpur station:** The works of boundary wall and Reinforced Cement Concrete overhead tank have been completed. The works of improvement of station building, portico, platform shelter, circulating area and parking have been taken up.

- **Varanasi City station: The works of improvement of station building, porch, toilet, lift on existing Foot Over Bridge at platform no. 2/3 and 4/5, approach road and boundary wall have been completed. The works of platform shelter 12 m Foot Over Bridge and Divyangjan facilities 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 inter-se priority and availability of funds. Development / redevelopment / upgradation / modernisation of a station is carried out based on category of station/condition/traffic handled etc.

Amrit Bharat Station 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.

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.

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 constituency wise or state-wise. Uttar Pradesh is covered under the jurisdiction of five railway zones, namely East Central Railway, Northern Railway, North Central Railway, North Eastern Railway and West Central Railway. For these zones, an allocation of ₹ 3,794 crore (Revised Estimate) has been made for the financial year 2025-26, out of which an

expenditure (up to February, 2026) of ₹ 3,694 crore has been incurred so far.

Train Services:

Chandauli Majhwar is presently served by 12 train services including the daily service of 12397/12398 Gaya-New Delhi Mahabodhi Express which is catering to the needs of Chandauli Majhwar-Delhi sector. The list of trains serving Chandauli Majhwar is given below:-

SN	Train No. & Name
1	12397 Gaya-New Delhi Express
2	12398 New Delhi-Gaya Express
3	13009 Howrah-Yog Nagari Rishikesh Express
4	13010 Yog Nagari Rishikesh-Howrah Express
5	13553 Asansol -Varanasi Express
6	13554 Varanasi-Asansol Express
7	63293 DehriOn Sone-Pt.Deen Dayal Upadhyaya MEMU
8	63294 Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya –Dehri On Sone MEMU
9	63295 Gaya Jn-Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya MEMU
10	63296 Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya -Gaya MEMU
11	63557 Barkakana-Varanasi MEMU
12	63558 Varanasi-Barkakana MEMU

Besides, introduction of train services, including Vande Bharat services, on any route/section, is an on-going process, which depends on various factors including:

- Capacity of that section.
- Availability of path.

- **Availability of required rolling stock.**
- **Availability of matching infrastructure for rolling stock.**
- **Maintenance requirement of railway tracks and other assets.**
