

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6148
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.04.2026**

ALUVA RAILWAY STATION, KERALA UNDER ABSS

6148. SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has considered to include Aluva Railway Station in Kerala under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;**
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any assessment regarding passenger footfall and infrastructure requirements of said Railway Station before excluding it from the scheme and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to reconsider the inclusion of the said Railway Station in the ABSS in view of its importance as a multimodal transport hub connected with Kochi Metro Rail and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

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(a) to (c) At Aluva station, located in Kerala, facilities like high level platforms, platform shelter, waiting hall, drinking water arrangement, urinal, lavatory, seating arrangement, Foot Over Bridge etc. are available.

The works of platform shelter, waiting hall, Foot Over Bridge etc. have been completed in recent years. The works of lift, water supply arrangement, new Reinforced Cement Concrete (RCC) overhead tank and Divyangjan water tap 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.

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, 1,338 stations have been identified for development under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme. Out of these, 35 stations are located in Kerala. The name of stations identified under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in Kerala are as following:

State	No. of Stations	Name of Stations
Kerala	35	Alappuzha, Angadippuram, Angamali For Kaladi, Chalakudi, Changanassery, Chengannur, Chirayinkeezh, Ernakulam, Ernakulam Town, Ettumanur, Feroke, Guruvayur, Kannur, Kasargod, Kayankulam Jn, Kollam Jn, Kozhikode, Kuttippuram, Mavelikara, Neyyattinkara , Nilambur Road, Ottappalam, Parappanangadi, Payyanur, Punalur, Shoranur Jn., Thalassery, Thiruvananthapuram Central, Thrisur, Tirur, Tiruvalla, Tripunithura, Vadakara, Varkala Shivagiri, Wadakancheri

Completed stations:

Development works at railway stations under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in Kerala have been taken up at a good pace. Till now, works of 13 stations have been completed. The name of stations completed in Kerala are as following:

State	No. of stations	Name of stations
Kerala	13	Angamali For Kaladi, Chalakudi, Changanassery, Chirayinkeezh, Ferok, Kuttippuram, Nilambur Road, Parappanangadi, Shoranur Jn., Thalassery, Tripunithura, Vadakara, Wadakancheri

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:

- **Angadippuram station: The works of porch in first entry, platform shelter, platform surfacing of platform no. 1 & 2, concourse, booking office, waiting hall, toilet, improvement of circulating area, parking and approach road of first entry, coach indication board, train indication board and signages have been completed. The works of Divyangjan facilities, lift and 6 m Foot Over Bridge have been taken up.**
- **Guruvayur station: The works of platform shelter, improvement of concourse, circulating area and parking have been completed. The works of improvement of station building, entrance arch, booking office, waiting hall, new retiring room, Divyangjan facilities and Foot Over Bridge have been taken up.**
- **Payyanur station: The works of porch, platform shelter, raising of platform no. 2 & 3, improvement of concourse, booking office, waiting hall, circulating area at second entry, parking, coach indication board and train indication board have been taken up. The works of improvement of station building, circulating area at first entry, Divyangjan facilities, lift and 6 m Foot Over Bridge have been taken up.**

- **Tirur station: The works of improvement of station building, porch at first entry, concourse, raising and platform surfacing of platform no. 1, platform shelter, booking office, toilet, improvement of retiring room, improvement to circulating area at first entry, parking at second entry, lift, signages, improvement of Foot Over Bridge, coach indication board, train indication board, lift and escalator at second entry have been completed. The works of circulating area at second entry, parking at first entry and Divyangjan facilities have been taken up.**

Stations are selected based on the proposals received from Zonal Railways, stations located in major cities and places of tourist and pilgrimage importance.

Development / Upgradation / Modernization of stations including 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. Kerala is covered under the jurisdiction of Southern Railway. For the zone, an allocation of ₹ 1,125 crore (Revised Estimate) has been made for the financial year 2025-26, out of which an expenditure of ₹ 1,088 crore (up to February, 2026) has been incurred so far.
