

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

LOK SABHA

**STARRED QUESTION NO. 88
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.07.2015**

REVAMPING OF RAILWAY STATIONS

***88. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have any proposal/policy for revamping and transforming of railway stations across the country into world class stations;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the facilities provided in such stations along with the names of the railway stations identified/selected for the purpose and the status of progress of work done so far, Zone-wise including Western Railway;**
- (c) whether the Railways also propose to involve private players for the purpose;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof including modalities worked out for the purpose; and**
- (e) whether the Railways have any proposal to create additional facilities to boost tourism in backward regions and if so, the details thereof, Zone-wise including Western Railway?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI SURESH PRABHAKAR PRABHU)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 88 BY SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 27.07.2015 REGARDING REVAMPING OF RAILWAY STATIONS

(a) to (d): A proposal to offer 'A-1' & 'A' category stations (about 400 stations) for redevelopment on 'as is where is' basis, by inviting open bids from interested parties with their designs and business ideas duly providing for amenities and other requirements of the Railways has been recently approved by the Cabinet. The entire cost of the station redevelopment is to be met by leveraging commercial development of land and air space in and around the station.

The facilities proposed in a redeveloped station include congestion free non-conflicting entry/exit to the station premises, segregation of arrival/departure of passengers, adequate concourse without overcrowding, integration of both sides of the city wherever feasible, integration with other modes of transport systems e.g. Bus, Metro, etc., user friendly international signage, well illuminated circulating area and sufficient provision for drop off, pick up & parking etc.

In addition to the above, redevelopment of the following stations has also been undertaken:

- (i) Five stations viz. Anand Vihar, Bijwasan & Chandigarh in Northern Railway, Shivaji Nagar in Central Railway and Habibganj in West Central Railway were initially entrusted to Indian Railway Stations Development Corporation Ltd. (IRSDC) for which draft Master Plans have been prepared and are under statutory approvals, except for Habibganj for which in-principle approvals had been obtained from concerned authorities. Request for Qualification for Habibganj station has been finalized, bidders**

shortlisted for redevelopment contract and Request for Technical Proposal (RTP) received.

(ii) Surat station in Western Railway has also been entrusted to IRSDC, for which Draft Master Plan has been prepared.

(iii) Gandhinagar station in Western Railway has been entrusted to Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA), for which consultant has been appointed.

(iv) Bhubaneswar/ New Bhubaneswar station in East Coast Railway and Baiyyappanahalli (Bengaluru) station in South Western Railway are identified for prefeasibility studies by China Railway Construction Engineering Group at their cost under an MOU between Indian Railways and National Railway Administration, Government of the People's Republic of China.

(e) No, Madam.
