

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No.656  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.12.2015**

**DEVELOPMENT OF RAILWAY STATIONS OF INTERNATIONAL  
STANDARDS**

**656. SHRI B.SENGUTTUVAN:  
SHRI RAVNEET SINGH:  
SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:  
SHRI Y.B. SUBBA REDDY:  
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the criteria laid down by the Government for selection of a railway station for development to the international standards;**
- (b) whether it is true that Railways has recently released guidelines for re-development of 400 stations in the country to world class stations;**
- (c) if so, the details of stations identified for re-development, zone-wise;**
- (d) the details of facilities and upgradation proposed under re-development; and**
- (e) whether any International help is being/being given by any Countries/Institutions/Companies in this regard; and if so, the details thereof ?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)**

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 656 BY SHRI B.SENGUTTUVAN, SHRI RAVNEET SINGH, SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK, SHRI Y.B. SUBBA REDDY AND SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 02.12.2015 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF RAILWAY STATIONS OF INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS**

**(a) to (c): Ministry of Railways has planned to offer 'A-1' and 'A' category stations (about 400 stations) for redevelopment on 'as is where is' basis. Category of stations is decided on the basis of annual earnings from passenger traffic. 'A-1' category stations have annual earnings of more than ₹60 crores and 'A' category stations have annual earnings of ₹8 – 60 crores. These stations are proposed to be developed by inviting open bids from interested parties with their designs and business ideas duly providing for amenities and other requirements of the Railways. The general guidelines in this regard have been issued to Zonal Railways.**

**Details of 'A-1' and 'A' category stations, zone-wise are as under:**

| <b>S.No.</b> | <b>Railway Zone</b>       | <b>No. of 'A-1' category stations</b> | <b>No. of 'A' category stations</b> |
|--------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b>     | <b>Central</b>            | <b>8</b>                              | <b>26</b>                           |
| <b>2</b>     | <b>East Central</b>       | <b>6</b>                              | <b>29</b>                           |
| <b>3</b>     | <b>East Coast</b>         | <b>3</b>                              | <b>10</b>                           |
| <b>4</b>     | <b>Eastern</b>            | <b>3</b>                              | <b>12</b>                           |
| <b>5</b>     | <b>North Central</b>      | <b>6</b>                              | <b>14</b>                           |
| <b>6</b>     | <b>North Eastern</b>      | <b>3</b>                              | <b>11</b>                           |
| <b>7</b>     | <b>Northeast Frontier</b> | <b>2</b>                              | <b>20</b>                           |
| <b>8</b>     | <b>North Western</b>      | <b>3</b>                              | <b>22</b>                           |
| <b>9</b>     | <b>Northern</b>           | <b>14</b>                             | <b>49</b>                           |
| <b>10</b>    | <b>South Central</b>      | <b>5</b>                              | <b>31</b>                           |
| <b>11</b>    | <b>South Eastern</b>      | <b>3</b>                              | <b>8</b>                            |
| <b>12</b>    | <b>South East Central</b> | <b>2</b>                              | <b>6</b>                            |
| <b>13</b>    | <b>South Western</b>      | <b>2</b>                              | <b>15</b>                           |
| <b>14</b>    | <b>Southern</b>           | <b>7</b>                              | <b>42</b>                           |
| <b>15</b>    | <b>West Central</b>       | <b>2</b>                              | <b>15</b>                           |
| <b>16</b>    | <b>Western</b>            | <b>6</b>                              | <b>22</b>                           |

**In addition, seven stations (Anand Vihar, Bijwasan, Chandigarh, Habibganj, Shivaji Nagar, SAS Nagar (Mohali) and Surat) have been entrusted to Indian Railway Stations Development Corporation Ltd. Gandhinagar station has been entrusted to Rail Land Development Authority.**

**(d): 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.**

**(e): Bhubaneswar/New Bhubaneswar and Baiyyappanahalli (Bengaluru) stations are identified for pre-feasibility studies by China Railway Construction Engineering Group at their cost under an MOU between Indian Railways and National Railway Administration, Government of the Peoples' Republic of China.**

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