

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3095
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2016**

REDEVELOPMENT OF RAILWAY STATIONS

†3095. SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any proposal/policy to redevelop and revamp the railway stations in order to provide world class facilities to foreign tourists/passengers;

(b) if so, the names of selected railway stations of East Central Railway and the latest position of work progress made in this regard so far;

(c) whether the Government proposes to create additional facilities at stations for promotion of tourism in the backward regions;

(d) if so, whether the Government also proposes to provide any special facility to the tourists to commute from backward areas of Bhabua road, Kudra, Sasaram division of East Central Railway to world class tourist destinations like Mundeshwari (Kaimur) Gupta Dham, Rohtas, Fort etc; and

(e) 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.

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3095 BY SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 16.03.2016 REGARDING REDEVELOPMENT OF RAILWAY STATIONS

(a)&(b): Indian Railway has advertised its plan to redevelop 'A-1' and 'A' category stations (about 400 in number) to provide modern facilities to passengers including, inter alia, foreign passengers/tourists on 'as is where is' basis, by inviting proposals from interested parties with their designs and business ideas. These include Anugraha Narayan Road, Ara Jn., Bapudham Motihari, Barauni Jn., Bakhtiyarpur Jn., Betiah, Buxar, Darbanga Jn., Daltonganj, Danapur, Dhanbad Jn., Dehri-on-Sone, Gaya Jn., Gomoh Jn., Hajipur Jn., Jamui, Jayanagar, Khagaria Jn., Kiul Jn., Koderma, Madhubani, Mokama, Muzaffarpur Jn., Mughalsarai Jn., Narkatiaganj Jn., Parasnath, Patna Jn., Patna Saheb Jn., Rajendra Nagar Terminal, Raxaul Jn., Sagauli Jn., Saharsa Jn., Samastipur Jn., Sasaram Jn., & Singrauli station on East Central Railway. Guidelines in this regard have been issued to Zonal Railways.

(c) to (e): At present, there is no proposal to connect and provide special facility to tourists to commute from Bhabua Road, Kudra Sasaram stations of East Central Railway to Mundeshwari (Kaimur), Gupta Dham, Rohtas Fort etc. However, introduction of train services on Indian Railways, including connecting various tourist destinations, is an ongoing process subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, availability of resources, competing demands etc.
