

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.632  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.07.2016**

**CONVERSION OF RAILWAY STATIONS**

**632. ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR:**

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

- (a) whether the Railways has identified a few railway stations for conversion into world class stations;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the criteria for selection of these stations; and**
- (c) whether the Railways intends to rope in corporations with Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) in the programme in view of financial crunch and if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND  
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)**

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 632 BY ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 20.07.2016 REGARDING CONVERSION OF RAILWAY STATIONS.**

**(a)&(b): Indian Railway has advertised its plan to redevelop 'A-1' and 'A' category stations (about 400 in number) which are generally located in metros, major cities, pilgrimage centres and important tourist destinations on 'as is where is' basis, by inviting proposals from interested parties with their designs and business ideas. The entire cost of station redevelopment is to be met by leveraging commercial development of land and air space in and around the stations.**

**(c) Railways have issued guidelines for provision, augmentation and improvement of passenger amenities at railway stations through individuals, NGOs, Trusts, Charitable Institutions, Corporations etc. These guidelines have also been sent to High Commission/Embassy of United States of America, United Kingdom, Canada and Australia with a view to elicit cooperation from Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) in this regard.**

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