

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2199
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2023**

**STATIONS RE-DEVELOPMENT UNDER AMRIT BHARAT STATION
SCHEME**

2199. SHRIMATI PRATIBHA SINGH:

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SHRI GHANSHYAM SINGH LODHI:

DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

SHRIMATI HIMADRI SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has launched the Amrit Bharat Station scheme in December 2022 across the Country;

(b) if so, the salient features along with the objectives of the scheme;

(c) whether the Union Government has prepared a master plan for this scheme, if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(d) the details of the facilities likely to be developed in stations selected under this scheme in the master plan;

(e) whether stations in Himachal Pradesh, Odisha, Rajasthan and Tamil Nadu, Bilaspur station of Rampur District in Uttar Pradesh, Barshi station in Dharashiv of Maharashtra, Shahdol in Madhya Pradesh, Kannur in Kerala and Sirsa in Haryana have been selected under the scheme, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(f) whether this is to be carried out under public private partnership, if so, the details thereof;

(g) whether the Government carries any mandatory universal infrastructure updates besides station-based requirement in stations included under the scheme, if so, the details thereof; and

(h) whether any steps are being taken by the Government to convert Kangra Valley narrow gauge rail line into broad gauge line, if so, the details in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND

ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (h) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2199 BY SHRIMATI PRATIBHA SINGH, SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU, SHRIMATI SUNITA DUGGAL, SHRI OM PRAKASH BHUPALSINH ALIAS PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR, SHRI RAMDAS C.TADAS, SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN, DR. T.R. PAARIVENDHAR, SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE, SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA, SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN, SHRI GHANSHYAM SINGH LODHI, DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE AND SHRIMATI HIMADRI SINGH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 02.08.2023 REGARDING STATIONS RE-DEVELOPMENT UNDER AMRIT BHARAT STATION SCHEME

(a) to (g) The Amrit Bharat Station Scheme has recently been launched for development of Railway stations on Indian Railways. This scheme envisages development of stations on a continuous basis with a long-term approach.

It involves preparation of Master Plans and their implementation in phases to improve the amenities at the stations like improvement of station access, circulating areas, waiting halls, toilets, lift/escalators as necessary, cleanliness, free Wi-Fi, kiosks for local products through schemes like 'One Station One Product', better passenger information systems, Executive Lounges, nominated spaces for business meetings, landscaping etc. keeping in view the necessity at each station.

The scheme also envisages improvement of building, integrating the station with both sides of the city, multimodal integration, amenities for Divyangjans, sustainable and environment friendly solutions, provision of ballastless tracks, 'Roof Plazas' as per necessity, phasing and feasibility and creation of city centres at the station in the long term.

Presently, the scheme envisages to take-up 1309 stations for upgradation/modernisation over Indian Railways. The stations have

been selected based on the proposals received from Zonal Railways, stations located in major cities and towns. The list of state-wise number of stations identified to be taken up under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme is appended.

Shahdol in the state of Madhya Pradesh, Kannur in the state of Kerala and Sirsa in the state of Harayana have been identified for development under the scheme.

Budgetary funds are being used for developing stations under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme. However, a miniscule number of stations are also being explored for development under Public Private Partnership (PPP) model.

Modernisation/upgradation of stations is an ongoing and continuous process and works in this regard are undertaken as per requirement, subject to inter-se priority and availability of funds. The priority for upgradation / modernization of stations is accorded to higher category of station over lower category of station while sanctioning and executing the work.

(h) The Railway projects are sanctioned Zonal Railway-wise and not State-wise/constituency-wise/region-wise as the projects may span across State boundaries. Survey of Gauge Conversion of Pathankot-Joginder Nagar (172 km) Narrow Gauge rail line in Kangra Valley was completed in 2017-18. As per Survey Report, the cost of the project was Rs. 18686 crore. Due to low traffic projections, the project could not be taken forward.

APPENDIX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2199 BY SHRIMATI PRATIBHA SINGH, SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU, SHRIMATI SUNITA DUGGAL, SHRI OM PRAKASH BHUPALSINH ALIAS PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR, SHRI RAMDAS C.TADAS, SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN, DR. T.R. PAARIVENDHAR, SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE, SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA, SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN, SHRI GHANSHYAM SINGH LODHI, DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE AND SHRIMATI HIMADRI SINGH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 02.08.2023 REGARDING STATIONS RE-DEVELOPMENT UNDER AMRIT BHARAT STATION SCHEME

The State/UT-wise number of stations identified for development under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme:-

SNo	State/UT	No. of stations identified
1	Andhra Pradesh	72
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1
3	Assam	50
4	Bihar	92
5	Chattisgarh	32
6	Delhi	13
7	Goa	3

SNo	State/UT	No. of stations identified
8	Gujarat	87
9	Haryana	34
10	Himachal Pradesh	4
11	Jharkhand	57
12	Karnataka	56
13	Kerala	35
14	Madhya Pradesh	80
15	Maharashtra	126
16	Manipur	1
17	Meghalaya	1
18	Mizoram	1
19	Nagaland	1
20	Odisha	57
21	Punjab	30
22	Rajasthan	83
23	Sikkim	1

SNo	State/UT	No. of stations identified
24	Tamil Nadu	75
25	Telangana	40
26	Tripura	4
27	UT of Chandigarh	1
28	UT of Jammu & kashmir	4
29	UT of Puducherry	3
30	Uttar Pradesh	156
31	Uttarakhand	11
32	West Bengal	98
