

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 388
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.07.2024**

ALLOCATION OF FUND FOR MODERNIZATION OF RAILWAY STATIONS

388. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is intending to modernize Munroturuttu railway station in Southern railway under Thiruvananthapuram railway division owing to its potential as a hub for tourism in the region, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has allocated funds for modernization of railway stations including Enzhukone and Kottarakkara and to augment their infrastructure and amenities;

(c) if so, the details thereof and funds allocated by the Government during each of the last three years and the current year; and

(d) the details of the approved project?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 388 BY SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 24.07.2024 REGARDING ALLOCATION OF FUND FOR MODERNIZATION OF RAILWAY STATIONS

(a) to (d) The scale of amenities provided at Munroturuttu, Ezhukone and Kottarakar are more than the prescribed Minimum Essential Amenities norms. Further, upgradation/ modernization of stations on Indian Railways is a continuous and on-going process and works in this regard are undertaken as per requirement, subject to inter-se priority and availability of funds. However, priority for upgradation / modernization of stations is accorded to higher category of station over lower category of station while sanctioning and executing the work.

The details of allocation of funds for modernization/development and maintenance of stations are maintained zonal Railway-wise not State-wise or station-wise. Passenger amenities are generally funded under Plan Head – 53 ‘Customer Amenities’. The details of funds allocated to Southern Railway under Plan Head-53 ‘Customer Amenities’, during the last three years are as under:-

(₹ in crores)

Zonal Railway	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
	Allocation	Allocation	Allocation
Southern	218.22	436.90	1081.17
