

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3369  
ANSWERED ON:15.04.2010  
SATELLITE STATIONS  
Karunakaran Shri P.

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

(a) whether the Railways are planning to convert some railway stations in the suburbs of busy hubs like Kochi as satellite stations, as the major stations are facing space constraints; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) & (b): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3369 BY SHRI P. KARUNAKARAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 15-04-2010 REGARDING SATELLITE STATIONS.

(a): Yes, Madam. Indian Railways is planning to develop Tambaram and Kochuveli stations of Southern Railway as satellite terminals to Chennai and Trivandrum stations, respectively. However, at present there is no proposal for developing any station around Kochi as a satellite terminal.

(b): The details of the development planned at Tambaram and Kochuveli stations are given below:

Tambaram station is being developed as a satellite coaching terminal for Chennai city with 2 pit lines of 26 coach length capacity, 1 stabling line of 26 coach length capacity, one shunting neck, and integrated maintenance facilities. The estimated cost of the project is Rs. 25.49. Crore.

Kochuveli station is being developed as a satellite coaching terminal for Trivandrum city. Phase – I of the work was completed with 1 Platform, 1 Pit and 1 stabling line each of 24 coach length capacity. Phase-II of the work is being taken up with 2 platform lines each with 24 coach length capacity, 2 pit lines each with 24 coach length capacity, 2 stabling lines each with 24 coach length capacity, Integrated sick line facilities, and Circulating area with passenger amenities. The estimated cost of the project is Rs. 23.99 crores.