## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5035 ANSWERED ON:26.08.2010 DEVELOPMENT OF CALICUT RAILWAY STATION Raghavan Shri M. K.

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

- (a) whether Calicut Railway Station is being developed according to international standard;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the amount/manpower sanctioned/deployed to complete the said project?

## **Answer**

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

- (a) & (b): All essential amenities as per norms have been provided at Kozhikode (Calicut) railway station. Development of stations by augmentation/improvement of passenger amenities is a continuous exercise and works in this regard are undertaken based on increase in passenger traffic and other relative priorities. Works for augmentation/upgradation of facilities have been accordingly taken up at Kozhikode railway station under various schemes and works viz. face lifting of station building, improvement of circulating area, improvement of lighting arrangements, provision of coach guidance system on platforms, construction of second entry booking office, etc. have been completed.
- (c) Kozhikode has been identified for development into World Class Station through PPP (Public Private Partnership) mode and accordingly preliminary activities have been undertaken. A high level multi-disciplinary project team and a monitoring team comprising senior level officials have been nominated. In the PPP mode, Government's expenditure is limited to consultancy and viability gap, if any, which will be known after competitive bidding process is completed.