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MODERNISATION OF STATIONS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of work on modernization of stations, creation of world class stations and Adarsh stations in the country, location-wise and State-wise;
- (b) the details of funds allocated/spent thereon so far, station-wise;
- (c) the details of stations on which said work has been completed during the last three years;
- (d) the details of stations on which said works are yet to commence despite getting selected for the same;
- (e) the details of assistance taken/being taken in this regard from foreign consultants/companies and/or private sectors; and
- (f) the present status and progress made in setting up of the Railway Stations Development Corporation Limited?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) Upgradation/modernization of railway stations is a continuous process. The scheme of 'Adarsh' station is currently in vogue for upgradation of railway stations. Under this scheme, 845 stations have been identified for development. Out of this, 509 stations have been developed as 'Adarsh' stations and in 336 stations works of development are in progress. State wise list of Completed and In Progress 'Adarsh' stations is appended as Appendix-I.

Development / modernization of railway stations is undertaken under plan head "Passenger Amenities". State-wise and station-wise allocation of funds and expenditure for this purpose are not maintained. However, allocation of funds and expenditure Zonal Railway-wise under plan head during 2011-12 is appended as Appendix-II.

50 stations have been identified for development as world class stations in Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode by leveraging the real estate potential of the land around and the air space above the stations as per the extant Govt. guidelines. State-wise list of stations identified for development as world class stations is appended as Appendix-III. Consultancy works for preparation of Master Plan and Feasibility Report had been taken up for New Delhi, Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus (CST), Mumbai and Patna. In this regard, foreign and Indian Consultancy firms have been deployed for assisting in preparation of necessary documents prior to initiating bidding process in PPP mode. Action has also been initiated for appointment of Consultants for Secunderabad, Anand Vihar (Phase II), Chandigarh, Bijwasan, Porbandar, Surat, Ahmedabad, Sealdah and Chennai Central. For other stations, preliminary activities have been taken up by the Zonal Railways.

World class railway station projects are primarily envisaged through private investment and Government funds are required only for preparatory works such as consultancies for feasibility reports and advisory services, for which funds are allocated from time to time, as per requirement.

(f) A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed between Ircon International Ltd., a Public Sector Undertaking under Ministry of Railways and Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA), a statutory Authority under Ministry of Railways with the primary objective of modernizing the railway stations. Process of incorporating the Special Purpose Vehicle under Companies Act 1956 has been undertaken.