## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2617 ANSWERED ON:06.02.2014 MODERNISATION OF STATIONS Dubey Shri Nishikant

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

- (a) the criteria adopted for selecting a station for development as Adarsh or World-class station;
- (b) the names of the stations developed, being developed and proposed to be developed as Model stations, Adarsh stations and World-class stations in the country, separately, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the details of the targets achieved in regard to the development of stations as Model stations, Adarsh stations and World-class Stations in the country so far, State/UT-wise:
- (d) the details of the guidelines issued by the Railways regarding the types of facilities to be provided at these stations; and
- (e) the time-frame set for the completion of the ongoing/pending work of development at these stations alongwith the steps taken/being taken by the Railways in this regard?

## **Answer**

## MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY)

- (a) Selection of railway stations as 'Adarsh Stations' is based on the identified need for upgradation of amenities. Stations located in metropolitan cities and important centre are identified for development as World Class Stations in Public Private Partnership mode by leveraging real estate potential of land & air space above railway stations.
- (b) The names of stations developed, being developed and proposed to be developed under 'Model' & 'Adarsh' station schemes and those identified for the development as 'World Class Stations', State/UT-wise are appended.
- (c) Development of stations under the 'Model' & 'Adarsh' station schemes is a continuous process, subject to availability of funds. Zonal railways are advised to make all out efforts to achieve the targets. World Class stations could not make much headway owing to unavoidable issues like getting statutory approvals from local bodies, heritage clearances, non-availability of adequate land etc. A dedicated organization, Indian Railway Stations Development Corporation Limited has been set-up in 2012, for this purpose which has been entrusted with 5 stations initially.
- (d) Upgraded facilities are provided at 'Adarsh' stations depending on the category of stations in addition to the Minimum Essential Amenities. The additional amenities provided includes improvement to the façade, waiting room, landscaping of circulating area, signage, pay & use toilets, platforms, foot over bridge, water coolers, passenger reservation system etc.
- (e) Development/upgradation of stations is a continuous process. The progress of development of stations as Adarsh Stations is monitored at Zonal Railway & Apex level.