

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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ESCALATORS LIFTS AT RAILWAY STATIONS  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways have proposed to install escalators and lifts at various railway stations;
- (b) if so, the details of railway stations indentified and the funds allocated/earmarked for the purpose, zone wise;
- (c) the time by which the said escalators as well as lifts are likely to be made operational;and
- (d) the details of provisions made regarding the running/functioning and maintenance of the escalators/lifts?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b) Policy guidelines exist for provision of escalators at 'A 1', 'A' & 'C' category stations and stations of tourist importance as desirable amenities and these are planned subject to availability of fund. So far, 186 escalators at 71 railway stations and 101 lifts at 44 railway stations including Metro Railway Kolkata and suburban sections of Chennai have been provided. Further, sanction exists for 471 more escalators and 400 lifts for railway stations. Details of railway stations where escalators and lifts have been provided and planned are at Appendix.

Rs. 895 crore has been allocated under Plan Head-Passenger Amenities during 2013-14 & funds to provide escalators are allocated as per the requirement.

(c) Provision of escalators at important stations is a continuous process and is done as per need, inter-se priority of works and availability of fund.

(d) The escalators are generally maintained through Annual Maintenance Contract (AMC).