

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4604  
ANSWERED ON:17.12.2009  
PASSENGER AMENITIES  
Rajaram Shri Wakchaure Bhausahab

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

(a) whether the Railways have taken or propose to take steps for providing basic facilities of drinking water, rest room, toilet etc. at the Railway Stations of Manmad, Kopargaon and Shirdi to develop these stations as model railway stations;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4604 BY SHRI WAKCHAURE BHAUSAHEB RAJARAM TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 17.12.2009 REGARDING PASSENGER AMENITIES.

(a) & (b): Manmad has been identified as Model Station as well as Modern station for the purpose of providing upgraded passenger amenities. Various amenities provided at the station include Retiring Room, Waiting Room with bathing facility for upper class, second class and separate waiting room for ladies, cloak room, renovated water booths, Passenger Guidance System, Touch Screen Enquiry System etc.

As regards Kopargaon, Minimum Essential Passenger Amenities and other important amenities have been provided at this station. Besides, the following works (costing Rs.123.20 lakh) have been taken in hand and planned for completion by March,2010:

(i) Provision of ramp, toilet, water tap for physically challenged persons;

(ii) Provision of pathway for inter-platform transfer for physically challenged persons; and

(iii) Provision of pipeline connection from the net work of Kopargaon Nagar Parishad.

Sainagar Shirdi station is an important tourist station and has been opened in February, 2009. Minimum Essential Amenities as per norms have been provided at this station. Further, upgradation of the passenger amenities commensurate with increase in passenger traffic is a continuous process and the same is taken up under Annual Works Programme as per feasibility, relative priority and availability of funds.

(c): Does not arise.