GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1704 ANSWERED ON:26.07.2017 Modernisation of Stations under PPP Mode Chandrakasi Shri M.;Senthilnathan Shri PR.

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the budgetary allocations made for the upgradation, modernization and renovation of railway stations in the country including Tamil Nadu during the current financial year;

(b) the number of railway stations being renovated at present under various upgradation schemes; and

(c) the progress made with regard to modernising railway stations under PPP mode and the details of policy formulated in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a): State-wise details of funds allocated are not maintained. The expenditure on works of modernization/renovation/upgradation of Railway Stations including those situated in the State of Tamil Nadu, is generally funded under Plan Head – 'Passenger Amenities'. ` 1100.90 Crore have been allocated under Budgetary Sources for this Plan Head during the current financial year i.e. 2017-18.

(b): At present, Railway Stations are modernised/renovated under 'Adarsh' Station Scheme. Out of 1253 Railway Stations identified for development under this scheme, 1036 Railway Stations have been developed. Remaining 217 Railway Stations have been planned for development by March, 2018.

(c): It has been planned to offer 'A-1' and 'A' category stations on Indian Railways for redevelopment on 'as is where is' basis, by inviting open bids from interested parties with their designs and business ideas duly providing for amenities and other requirements of the Railways. The entire cost of station redevelopment is to be met by leveraging commercial development of land and air space around the stations. 23 stations have been shortlisted for bidding in the first phase of the programme. Bids have been invited. Bids for Jammu Tawi Station have been opened on 12.07.2017.