

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3996
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.07.2019**

MODERNISATION OF TIRUVANNAMALAI RAILWAY STATION

3996. SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the stations identified for modernization between 2014 and 2020 along with the budgetary provisions vis-a-vis expenditure incurred including time line for the same, station-wise;**
- (b) the roadmap to modernize Tiruvannamalai Railway Station to provide world class amenities to pilgrims/ researchers coming in lakhs daily for darshan of Lord Arunachaleshwar and girivalam (circumambulation of Arunachal Hill) and Shree Ramana Maharshi Ashram;**
- (c) the time by which the single railway line from Katpadi to Tiruvannamalai would be doubled to provide direct connectivity to other religious destinations, i.e., Ujjain, Varanasi, Puri, Tirupati, Haridwar; and**
- (d) the progress of work and the time line for completion of Broad-Gauge Tindivanam to Tiruvannamalai new railway line?**

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3996 BY SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 17.07.2019 REGARDING MODERNISATION OF TIRUVANNAMALAI RAILWAY STATION.

(a): Modernisation/upgradation of Railway station in Indian Railways is a continuous and on-going process. At present, upgradation of stations is undertaken under Adarsh Station Scheme. Selection of Railway stations under Adarsh Station Scheme is based on the identified need for upgradation of amenities. Between 2014 and 2020, 201 stations have been identified for development under Adarsh station Scheme; the list is at Appendix-I.

Besides there are other policy initiatives by Indian Railways to provide improved facilities at all stations. 68 stations have been identified for soft upgradation and all 68 stations have been upgraded in the year 2018-19; the list is at Appendix-II.

The Budgeting units of Indian Railways are Zonal Railways and Budget allocations are made Railway zone wise. Details of Station-wise share/allocations are not maintained. However, since works relating to modernisation of stations and provision of amenities for passengers at stations are generally taken up under the plan-head Passenger Amenities, Budget outlays and expenditure under the plan-head over Indian Railways from Budgetary sources since 2014-15 are given below.

(₹ In Cr)

Year	Budget Estimates	Actual Expenditure
2016-17	838.28	981.24
2017-18	1100.90	1286.80
2018-19	1657.86	1585.89
2019-20	3422.57	545.92 (up to June, 2019)

(b): Thiruvannamalai Railway station is a Non Suburban Grade (NSG)-5 category station. All minimum essential amenities have been provided at this station as per norms. However, upgradation of stations is a continuous and on-going process and works in this regard are undertaken depending upon need, volume of the passenger traffic and inter-se priority, subject to availability of funds.

(c): No project for doubling of Katpadi-Tiruvannamalai single broad gauge line is sanctioned.

(d): On Tindivanam- Tiruvannamalai new line project, land acquisition documents for 662 acre land have been submitted to the Government of Tamil Nadu. In this regard, an advance payment of ₹14.42 crore has also been deposited with the State Government. State Government has handed over 65 acre land and balance land acquisition has been taken up.

The timely completion of any Railway project depends on various factors like shifting of infringing utilities (both underground and over ground), statutory clearances from various authorities, geological and topographical conditions of area, law and order situation in the area of project site, number of working months in a year for particular project site due to climatic considerations, encountering unforeseen conditions like earthquake, flooding, excessive rains, cyclones, strikes of labour, orders of Hon'ble Courts, situation and conditions of working agencies/contractors etc. All these factors affect the completion time and cost of the project, which is finally worked out at the completion stage.

Since the entire land has not been acquired and handed over to Railway, therefore, the confirmed time line for the project cannot be fixed at this stage.

APPENDIX-I REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3996 BY SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 17.07.2019 REGARDING MODERNISATION OF TIRUVANNAMALAL RAILWAY STATION

(a): Zone-Wise List of 201 stations proposed for inclusion as "Adarsh Stations" during 2014-20

Central Railway(10)	Rahuri, Satara, Khapri, Majri, Nira, Baramati, Daund, Odha, Amravati and Manmad
Eastern Railway (2)	Giridih and Dharhara
East Central Railway (13)	Gomia, Katrasgarh, Bagha, Harinagar, Narkatiyaganj, Bokaro Thermal, Jamui, Buxar, Barwadih, Latehar, Tori, Makhdumpur and Chakia
East Coast Railway (19)	Ganjam, Khallikot, Barpali, Sambalpur, Chatrapur, Brahmapur, Dhanmandal, Raj Athgarh, Pendurti, Simhachalam, Ichchapuram, Chipurupalle, Salegaon, Jagdalpur, Loisingha, Deogaon Road, Sompeta, Araku and Damanjodi
Northern Railway (33)	Tanda Urmar, Batala, Mohali, Pathankot, Jalandhar Cantt., Bathinda Cantt., Khekra, Bagpat Road, Baraut, Goshainganj, Koiripur, Lambhua, Chanethi, Aonla, Dhandari Kalan, Shahabad Mohammadpur, Bijwasan, Una Himachal, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra, Harrawala, Roorkee, Bhadohi, Unnao, Faridabad, Faizabad, Seohara, Najibabad, Nagina, Modinagar, Raiwala, Bhadohi, Phapha Mau and Jat
North Central Railway (9)	Phaphund, Dabhaura, Vindhyachal, Hathras, Rasulpur Gogumau, Bamhrauli, Etawa, Titamgarh and Goverdhan
North Eastern Railway (19)	Mahmudabad, Fatehgarh, Gorakhpur, Useka Bazar, Colonelganj, Lakhimpur, Barhaj Bazar, Varanasi City, Manduadih, Belthara Road, Bhatni Jn., Maniram, Pipraich, Suraimanpur, Karimuddinpur, Chit Baragaon, Gaur, Ram Chaura Halt and Gomati Nagar
Northeast Frontier Railway (8)	Radhikapur, Tatibahar, Naksalbari, Furkating, Jagi Road, Bongaigaon, Pecharthal and Narangi.

North Western Railway (10)	Sri Vijaynagar, Durgapura, Mahendra Garh, Sri Karanpur, Gogameri, Rewari, Mavli Jn., Beawar, Marwar and Neem Ka Thana
Southern Railway (21)	Tirumangalam, Thirupparankundram, Ottappalam, Vallathol Nagar, Mulagunnathukavu, Kundara, Kanchipuram, Kadayanallur, Mangalore Jn., Bekal Fort, Trikarapur, Kumbha, Kannur South, Chirayinkil, Ernakulam Town, Irugur, Kaniyapuram, Angadipuram, Katpadi, Vellore Cantonment and Tiruvananthapuram Central
South Central Railway (17)	Nallapadu, New Guntur, Nagalapalli, Moula Ali, Raichur, Donakonda, Aurangabad, Mantralayam Road, Basar, Markapur Road, Rajahmundry, Ongol, Repalle, Kisamudram, Gadwal, Washim and Dharmabad
South Eastern Railway (2)	Gola Road and Basta
South East Central Railway(8)	Howbagh, Durg, Bhandara Road, Gondia, Kirodimal Nagar, Balaghat, Tilda and Usalapur
South Western Railway (18)	Harihar, Davangere, Gudgeri, Mallapur, Daroji, Kuppam, Sanvordem Curchorem, Bijapur, Subramanya Road, Bantawala, Neralakatte, Ugar Khurd, Kudachi, Belgaum, Hole Narsipur, Tumkur, Kalas and Dharwad
Western Railway (7)	Dharangaon, Gandhinagar Capital, Gandhidham, Sabarmati BG, Madsaur, Patan and Kim
West Central Railway (5)	Dakaniya Talav, Bheraghat, Bandakpur, Rewa, Sihora Road
TOTAL	201 (Two hundred and one)

APPENDIX-II REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3996 BY SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 17.07.2019 REGARDING MODERNISATION OF TIRUVANNAMALAL RAILWAY STATION

(a): Lonawala, Burhanpur, Sholapur, Igatpuri, Wardha, Pune, Cuttack, Sambhalpur, Vishakhapatnam, Patna, Barkakana, Mughalsarai, Bapudham Motihari, Hajipur, Patliputra, Sonpur, Asansol, Howrah, Sealdah, Allahabad, Jhansi, Mathura, Varanasi City, Izzatnagar, Gorakhpur, Darjling, Guwahati, New Tinsukia, Alipurduar, Rangiya, Ambala, Delhi Main, Shimla, Dehradun, Haridwar, Jaipur, Udaipur, Bikaner, Jodhpur, Vijyawada, Guntur, Guntkal, Kurnool City, Warangal, Bilaspur, Raipur, Rajnandgaon, Jharsuguda, Ranchi, Adra, Madurai, Kottayam, Chennai Egmore, Palghat, Tiruchirapalli, Salem, Yeshwantpur, Mysore, Dharwar, Jabalpur, Bhopal, Itarsi, Ahmedabad, Rajkot, Vadodara, Ratlam, Bhavnagar City and Valsad.
