

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5059
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.07.2019**

FACILITIES AT KOTTAYAM RAILWAY STATION

5059. SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there are any proposals from the State Government of Kerala for the upgradation of facilities at Kottayam Railway Station;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether there are any prior proposals from the Central Government for the upgradation of facilities at Kottayam Railway Station that are already pending for completion; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

**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. 5059 BY SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 24.07.2019 REGARDING FACILITIES AT KOTTAYAM RAILWAY STATION

(a) and (b): No, Sir. No such request has been received from the State Government of Kerala. Kottayam station is a Non Suburban Grade (NSG-3) category station dealing with 12,319 passengers on an average per day. All minimum essential amenities as per laid norms have been provided at this station. Moreover, this station has also been developed under Adarsh Station Scheme. However, upgradation/modernization of Railway station 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) and (d): Yes, Sir. A work for developing Kottayam Station under the Umbrella work of Soft upgrades to stations has been sanctioned at a cost of ₹20.52 Cr.

(I) Out of ₹20.52 Cr., the following works costing ₹6.98 Cr. are already in progress.

- 1. Multi-Level Parking Centre for Two-wheelers.**
- 2. Improvement to Facade.**
- 3. Improvement to Platform No.1**
- 4. Improvement to Concourse, Booking Office, Reservation Office.**
- 5. Provision of additional Platform Shelters etc.**

(II) For the remaining cost, the following works are also planned:

- 1. Provision of Signages and Passenger Information System.**
- 2. Improvement to Electrical Arrangements.**
- 3. Development of New Executive Lounge in existing Pilgrim Shelter.**
- 4. Development of 2nd Entry Building.**
- 5. Development of New Parking area at 2nd Entry.**
- 6. Development of New Waiting Hall.**
