

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 26
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.11.2024**

**GATI SHAKTI ABHIYAN AT KOPARGAON RAILWAY STATION
(MAHARASHTRA)**

†*26 SHRI BHAUSAHEB RAJARAM WAKCHAURE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether work is going on at a large scale at Kopargaon Railway Station in Shirdi Parliamentary Constituency of Maharashtra under Gati Shakti Abhiyan Station and construction of 230 meter walled complex adjacent to the residential area on the western side of the railway station under the said Abhiyan, is creating hindrance in the movement of around 200 families residing in the vicinity and are surrounded by Railway land;**
- (b) whether Kopargaon Vaijapur Highway is in the proximity of the said area due to which the children of railway employees and villagers are also facing problems in going to school and other areas;**
- (c) whether the Government has received any representation in this regard from representatives of public; and**
- (d) if so, the action taken or likely to be taken by the Government in public interest in this regard?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 26 BY SHRI BHAUSAHEB RAJARAM WAKCHAURE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 27.11.2024 REGARDING GATI SHAKTI ABHIYAN AT KOPARGAON RAILWAY STATION (MAHARASHTRA)

(a) to (d) At Kopargaon station, redevelopment of station is progressing well. Improvement of platform surfacing, cover over platform, boundary wall, upgradation of waiting hall, circulating area road work, parking, etc. have been completed.

The boundary wall at Kopargaon station has been constructed within railway boundary and a road is available adjoining the boundary wall outside Railway land. It is sufficiently away from Kopargaon – Vaijapur road. There is no hindrance to movement of people due to the said boundary wall.

Ministry of Railways has launched ‘Amrit Bharat Station Scheme’ for development of Railway stations on Indian Railways. Kopargaon railway station of Central railway is one of the stations identified for development under this Scheme. This scheme envisages development of stations on a continuous basis with a long-term approach.

It involves preparation of Master Plans and their implementation in phases to improve the amenities at the stations like improvement of station access, circulating areas, waiting halls, toilets, lift/escalators as necessary, platform surfacing and cover over platform, cleanliness, free Wi-Fi, kiosks for local products through schemes like ‘One Station One Product’, better passenger information systems, Executive Lounges, nominated spaces for business meetings, landscaping, etc. keeping in view the necessity at each station.

The scheme also envisages improvement of building, integrating the station with both sides of the city, multimodal integration, amenities for Divyangjans, sustainable and environment friendly solutions, provision of ballastless tracks, etc. as per necessity, phasing and feasibility and creation of city centres at the station in the long term.

Representations / proposals / suggestions / requests from public representatives are received by Railways at various levels including Railway Board, Zonal Railways, Division Office, etc. As the receipt of such representations / proposals / suggestions / requests and action taken thereon is a continuous and dynamic process, centralized compendium of such representations is not maintained.
