

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 602
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.12.2025**

PLATFORM RELATED WORKS IN BHAGALPUR DISTRICT

602. SHRI AJAY KUMAR MANDAL :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Railway Station Platform related works in Bhagalpur district of Bihar which are planned, in progress and its commissioning target for the current year, division and section-wise;

(b) the details of construction of new platforms, digital clocks with GPS sync, coach guidance display boards, coaches, summary display boards, public announcement system, CCTV deployment, Wi-Fi, escalator, drinking water facilities and washroom facilities; and

(c) the details of special arrangements made for women and specially challenged people?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c) : Ministry of Railways has launched Amrit Bharat Station Scheme for redevelopment of stations. So far, 1337 stations including 98 stations located in the state of Bihar have been identified for redevelopment under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme. These include Bhagalpur, Naugachia, Shivnarayanpur, Sabaur, Pirpainti, Kahalgaon

and Sultanganj railway stations in Bhagalpur District. Presently work of 105 stations have been completed and commissioned.

Names of these stations are as following:-

Ambikapur, Amgaon, Ayodhya Dham, Bagalkot, Baijnath Paprola, Balrampur, Bareilly City, Begumpet, Bhanupratappur, Bhilai, Bijnor, Bundi, Chanda Fort, Chidambaram, Chinchpokli, Chirayinkeezh, Cuttack, Dakor, Derol, Deshnoke, Devlali, Dharwad, Dhule, Dongargarh, Fatehabad, Fatehpur Shekhawati, Gadag, Gogameri, Gokak Road, Gola Gokarnath, Gomti Nagar, Govardhan, Govind Garh, Govindpuri, Govindpur Road, Haibargaon, Hathras City, Hapa, Idgah Agra Jn., Izzatnagar, Jam Jodhpur, Jam Wanthali, Joychandi Pahar, Kalyani Ghoshpara, Kanalus Jn., Karamsad, Karimnagar, Katni South, Kedgaon, Kosamba Jn., Kulitturai, Lasalgaon, Limbdi, Lonand Jn., Mahe, Mahuva, Mailani, Mandal Garh, MandawarMahwa Road, Mandi Dabwali, Mannargudi, Matunga, Mithapur, Morbi, Munirabad, Murtizapur Jn., Narmadapuram (Hoshangabad), Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Itwari Junction, Okha, Orchha, Palitana, Panagarh, Parel, Pirpainti, Pokhrayan, Polur, Rajgarh, Rajmahal, Rajula Jn., Ramghat Halt, Saharanpur Jn., Samakhiyali, Samalpatti, Sankarpur, Savda, Seoni, Shahad, Shajapur, Shridham, Siddharth Nagar, Sihor Jn., Srirangam, St.Thomas Mount, Sullurpeta, Suraimanpur, Swaminarayan Chappia, Thawe, Tiruvannamalai, Ujhani, Urkura, Utran, Vadakara, Vadala Road, Vriddhachalam Jn., Warangal.

Further, development works at railway stations under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in the state of Bihar have been taken up at a good pace and progress of some of the stations is as given below:

At Naugachia, works of foundation of new second entry station building and foundation of PF shelter is completed. Work of basement of second entry station building, circulating area development on 2nd entry, improvement to drainage on second entry, work of foundation of 12 m wide FOB is taken up.

At Shivnarayanpur, the works of improvement to station building, concourse area, improvement to waiting hall, provision of coach and train indication boards, visual display boards, signages, improvement of circulating area and Pay & Use toilet have been completed. The works of construction of new foot over bridge has been taken up.

At Sabaur, the works of improvement of waiting halls, provision of coach and train indication board, visual display boards and signage have been completed. The works of improvement to station building and improvement of circulating area have been taken up.

At Kahalgaon, the works of improvement to waiting hall, construction of new pay & use toilet, provision of signages, improvement to station building including portico, concourse area, improvement to circulating area, installation of visual display boards have been completed. The works of construction of new foot over bridge have been taken up.

At Sultanganj, the works of improvement to waiting hall, construction of new pay & use toilet, provision of signages, improvement to station building including portico, improvement to circulating area, concourse area and installation of visual display boards have been completed. The works for construction of new foot over bridge has been taken up.

Master planning for development of Bhagalpur railway station under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme has been taken up. This is an iterative process requiring optimization and the time frame for such optimization cannot be indicated at this stage.

The Amrit Bharat Station 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 centre at the station in the long term.

Indian Railways is committed to make its railway stations accessible for Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjans) and passengers with reduced mobility as part of “Sugamya Bharat Mission” or ‘Accessible India Campaign’ of Government of India. In compliance of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, “Guidelines on accessibility of Indian Railway stations and facilities at stations for differently abled persons (Divyangjans) and passengers with reduced mobility” have been circulated and notified in the Gazette of India. The guidelines include provisions of facilities for Divyangjans and passengers with reduced mobility such as entrance ramps, accessible parking, low height ticket counters/help booths, toilets, drinking water booths, subways/foot over bridges with ramps/lifts, standard signages including Braille signages and tactile pathways for visual impairment, etc.

Development/upgradation of stations on Indian Railways is a continuous and ongoing process and works in this regard are undertaken as per requirement, subject to inter-se priority and availability of funds. The priority for development/upgradation of stations is accorded to higher category of station over lower category of station while sanctioning and executing the works.

Development / upgradation of stations including under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme is generally funded under Plan Head-53 'Customer Amenities'. The details of allocation under Plan Head-53 are maintained Zonal Railway-wise and not work-wise or station-wise or State-wise. Bhagalpur district falls under the jurisdiction of East Central Railway and Eastern Railways for which a total allocation of Rs 942 crores (Budget Estimate) has been made for the financial year 2025-26 under Plan Head-53.

Further, development/redevelopment/upgradation of Railway Stations is complex in nature involving safety of passengers & trains and requires various statutory clearances such as fire clearance, heritage, tree cutting, airport clearance etc. The progress also gets affected due to brown field related challenges such as shifting of utilities, (involving water/sewage lines, optical fiber cables, gas pipe lines, power/signal cables etc.,) infringements, operation of trains without hindering passenger movement, speed restrictions due to works carried out in close proximity of high voltage power lines etc. and these factors affect the completion time. Therefore, no time frame can be indicated at this stage.
