

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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WORLD CLASS RAILWAY STATIONS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways propose to develop certain railway stations across the country as world class railway stations under Public Private Partnership mode;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the railway stations identified for the purpose, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the work for development of these stations as world class stations has begun in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof including the cost estimated and funds allocated for the purpose along with the time by which the projected work is likely to be completed, station-wise; and
- (e) the details of steps taken/being taken by the Railways for timely implementation of the said works to avoid time and cost over-run?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (e): It has been decided to develop at least 10 major stations of Metro Cities and important junctions to international standards with modern facilities and passenger amenities through Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode.

A dedicated organization, Indian Railway Stations Development Corporation Ltd. (IRSDC) has been set up to undertake such station redevelopment projects.

Stations to be redeveloped are to be identified based on adequacy of land, redevelopment cost, expected returns from real estate development, capacity of approach infrastructure to handle enhanced traffic, etc.

Such projects require detailed techno-economical feasibility studies and statutory clearances from local authorities. Though Railways have been making sustained efforts towards expediting various issues, no targets can be indicated.

As the entire cost of the station redevelopment is to be met by commercial development on a PPP mode, no Railway funds are required to be allocated.