GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 652 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.02.2020

WORLD CLASS FACILITIES

652. SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK NIMBALKAR:
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SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of railway stations developed by the Government to provide world class facilities to the passengers across the country so far, zone-wise;
- (b) the existing policy for revamping and transforming of railway stations in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government has sought participation of private sector in modernisation of railway stations across the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the response of the private sector thereto;
- (e) whether the Government has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with foreign countries in this regard;
- (f) if so, the details thereof, country-wise along with the terms and conditions of such MoUs; and
- (g) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide world class facilities in all the railway stations of the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 652 BY SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK NIMBALKAR, DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL, SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL, SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE AND DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 05.02.2020 REGARDING WORLD CLASS FACILITIES

(a) and (b): Ministry of Railways has planned for redevelopment of railway stations through Indian Railway Stations Development Corporation Limited (IRSDC), Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA) and other Central Government agencies, through simplified procedures and for longer lease tenure. Accordingly, IRSDC and RLDA are undertaking the techno-economic feasibility studies of stations. Based on the outcome of the feasibility studies, the stations are planned to be taken up for redevelopment, in phases.

The facilities proposed in a redeveloped station include congestion free non-conflicting entry/exit to the station premises, segregation of arrival/departure of passengers, adequate concourse without overcrowding, integration of both sides of the city wherever feasible, integration with other modes of transport systems e.g. Bus, Metro, etc., user friendly international signage, well illuminated circulating area and sufficient provision for drop off, pick up & parking etc.

The work of redevelopment is in advanced stage of progress at Gandhinagar (Western Railway) and Habibganj (West Central Railway) railway stations. Contracts have been awarded for redevelopment of Gomtinagar (North Eastern Railway), Anand Vihar (Northern Railway), Bijwasan (Northern Railway) and Chandigarh (Northern Railway) railway stations.

(c) and (d): Yes, Sir. Railways have planned for redevelopment of major railway stations by fixing developers. Private developers have shown interest where tenders for redevelopment of station have been floated like Habibganj (Bhopal), Gandhinagar (Gujarat), Gomtinagar, Anand Vihar, Bijwasan, Chandigarh etc.

- (e) and (f): No Memorandum of Understanding for redevelopment of railway stations exists between India and other countries.
- (g): Station redevelopment is also planned through the following schemes:
 - 1. Jointly by Ministry of Railways and other Ministries of Government of India.
 - 2. By involving Public Sector Undertakings of Central Government.
 - 3. In cooperation with State Governments.
