

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL): (a) and (b) Railway Administration is providing the civic amenities in Railway Colonies such as supply of drinking water, construction of road, drainage and latrine systems for all railway employees residing in railway colonies. Railway has not received any proposal for any development works from any other agencies. Therefore, the question of not allowing any development works does not arise.

(c) Signing of MoU by Kharagpur Division of Railway and Kharagpur Municipality shall be considered as per rules as and when the proposal is received from Kharagpur Municipality.

High speed train between Mysore and Chennai

886. SHRI K. C. RAMAMURTHY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has approved the proposal from Germany to run high-speed train between Mysore and Chennai with an estimated cost of ₹1 lakh crore;

(b) if so, the details of the proposal submitted to the Railway Board by the Government of Germany; and

(c) by when the project is expected to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Passenger amenities at Villupuram railway station

887. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has undertaken activities to increase/augment passenger amenities at Villupuram railway station in the State of Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, the details of activities undertaken to augment passenger amenities at Villupuram railway station during last five years; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Works to the tune of ₹3.67 crores (Three crores sixty seven lakhs) have been completed during the

past five years towards provision of passenger amenities at Villupuram Railway Station. The details of the works executed are furnished below:

| Sl. No. | Description of work | Cost in lakhs (in rupees) |
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| 1. | Improvements to passenger amenities at Villupuram under touch and feel concept | 48.78 |
| 2. | Villupuram improvements to TTE rest room with all facilities including furniture. | 33.78 |
| 3. | Provision of low-level platform shelter - 4 Nos. at Villupuram | 4.50 |
| 4. | Villupuram Repairs to CC apron at Platform No.6 | 80.00 |
| 5. | Replacement of corroded carriage watering hydrant pipe lines at Platform No.4,5 and 6 at Villupuram | 39.32 |
| 6. | Provision 2 bays of Platform Shelter at Platform No.1 | 30.00 |
| 7. | Repainting of Station Building at Villupuram | 30.00 |
| 8. | Villupuram repairs to CC Apron at Platform No.5 | 75.00 |
| 9. | Repainting of Platform Shelter, Foot Over Bridge and Station Name Boards. | 10.29 |
| 10. | Provision of Benches and Water pedestals at Villupuram | 15.00 |
| TOTAL | | 366.67 |

Renovation of railway stations in Telangana

888. SHRIDHARMAPURI SRINIVAS: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has decided to renovate the railway stations in the State of Telangana under its railway stations redevelopment programme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of stations being considered for renovation and redevelopment, particularly in the State of Telangana; and
- (d) the quantum of funds allocated for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Ministry of Railways through various agencies is undertaking techno-economic feasibility studies