

Moreover, panels for 36,436 candidates are in advanced stage of recruitment process. Apart from above, recruitment notifications for 1,42,563 posts have already been issued.

- (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

National Railway Plan

752. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether suggestions have been received for formulation of National Railway Plan involving phased manufacturing programme, PPP model, etc.;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government considered the said suggestions;
- (d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL): (a) to (e) National Rail Plan is under preparation which aims at providing a long term perspective planning for augmenting the Railway Network. Suggestions and inputs from all stakeholders including Ministries, departments, sectors, customers etc. are being incorporated in the Plan. All possible financial models including PPP model and phased-manufacturing programme are being looked into to achieve the objectives of National Rail Plan.

Eco-smart stations

753. KUMARI SELJA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the stations that have been selected to be made eco-smart stations, if any, from Haryana;
- (b) the details of the facilities that are to be provided in these eco-smart stations; and
- (c) the amount of funds allocated, disbursed and utilised for their development, the station-wise details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL): (a) Hon'ble National Green Tribunal instructed Railways to achieve ISO: 14001 Environment Management System for atleast 5% of the major stations. Accordingly Railways identified 37 stations, which were to be inspected by Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB). These stations can be declared as Eco Smart Stations, if all the requirements of Environment Management Systems are fulfilled.

None of the identified stations fall in the state of Haryana.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

Station redevelopment in Assam

754. SHRI KAMAKHYA PRASAD TASA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the status of the techno-economic feasibility studies of the railway stations being undertaken in Assam for stations redevelopment;

(b) whether the feasibility studies themselves incorporate Innovative Revenue Models, Public-Private Partnership and Viability Gap Funding while making their assessment;

(c) whether the station redevelopment is intended to cover major cities and centres only or would it also target stations in lesser developed regions;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether Government has introduced any measures to aid in the development of railway stations in the backward areas of Assam?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL): (a) to (e) Ministry of Railways through various agencies is undertaking techno-economic feasibility studies of Railway stations. Based on the outcome of these feasibility studies, stations are planned to be taken up for redevelopment in phases. Kamakhya Railway station of Assam state has been taken up for techno-economic feasibility studies by Indian Railway Station Development Corporation. All the possible models *i.e.*, various modes of Public Private Partnerships (PPP), Joint Venture with State Govt. entities/other Public