

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 603  
ANSWERED ON 26.07.2024**

**RAILWAY STATION REDEVELOPMENT PROJECTS BY RLDA**

603# DR. LAXMIKANT BAJPAYEE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the present status of railway stations identified under Railway Station Redevelopment Projects undertaken by the Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA); and
- (b) the details of the steps taken by Government to define and designate specific areas for commercial development under the existing land use regulations?

**ANSWER**

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

**(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

(a) and (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 603 BY DR. LAXMIKANT BAJPAYEE ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 26.07.2024 REGARDING RAILWAY STATION REDEVELOPMENT PROJECTS BY RLDA**

(a) and (b): Ministry of Railways has launched 'Amrit Bharat Station Scheme' for development of Railway stations on Indian Railways. Under this scheme, Stations are entrusted to Zonal Railways and Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA) for development. This scheme envisages development of stations on a continuous basis with a long-term approach.

This scheme 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, 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, identification of areas for property development and creation of city centres at the station in the long term.

So far, 1324 stations have been identified for redevelopment under this scheme out of which 14 stations have been taken up for development by Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA).

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, encroachments, 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.

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