GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 299 ANSWERED ON 21.07.2023

LAND POLICY TO IMPLEMENT PM GATI SHAKTI FRAMEWORK

299 SHRI B. LINGAIAH YADAV:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government propose to revise the Railways land policy to implement PM Gati Shakti framework (Cargo related activities, Public utilities & Railway's exclusive use);
- (b) whether such revised policy would apply for leasing of railway land for cargo use for longer periods at lower costs;
- (c) whether the move is expected to enable integrated development of infrastructure and more cargo terminals, to improve revenues for Railways;
- (d) whether 300 cargo terminals would be developed over next five to six years and 1.2 lakh employment would be generated; and
- (e) if so, zone-wise details and present status thereof including SCR?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (e) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 299 BY SHRI B. LINGAIAH YADAV ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 21.07.2023 REGARDING LAND POLICY TO IMPLEMENT PM GATI SHAKTI FRAMEWORK

(a) to (e) To achieve the goals set out in PM Gati Shakti framework, a master circular on "Policy for Management of Railway land" which includes provisions for leasing of railway land for cargo related activities, public infrastructure, railway exclusives use, etc. has been issued on 04.10.2022. Railway land can be leased for cargo related projects/facilities for period upto 35 years at annual lease charges of 1.5% of market value of land by transparent methods of competitive bidding. The revised railway land management policies will enable integrated development of infrastructure. A master circular related to development of Gati Shakti Multi-Modal Cargo Terminals Railway has been issued on 06.12.2022. Since such commercial policies are open-ended programmes continuing on railways, consequential development of cargo terminals coupled with generation of sizeable employment is also likely to be a continuous process in future. The zone-wise details of Gati Shakti Multi Cargo Terminals including South Central Railway commissioned so far are as under:

Zonal Railways	No. of GCTs commissioned
Central Railway	1
Eastern Railway	3
East Central Railway	4
East Coast Railway	2
Northern Railway	2
North Central Railway	1
North Eastern Railway	3
Northeast Frontier Railway	2
North Western Railway	5
Southern Railway	1
South Central Railway	9
South Eastern Railway	4
South East Central Railway	3
South Western Railway	2
Western Railway	6
West Central Railway	-
Total	48