

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
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CONSTRUCTION OF FREIGHT CORRIDORS

910 # MS. KAVITA PATIDAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of freight corridors being made in the country;
- (b) the status of their progress in 2019 and 2023; and
- (c) the benefits that economy would get from these freight corridors?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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(a) to (c) : At present, Ministry of Railways has taken up construction of two Dedicated Freight Corridors (DFC) viz. Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor (EDFC) from Ludhiana to Sonnagar (1337 Km) and the Western Dedicated Freight Corridor (WDFC) from Jawaharlal Nehru Port Terminal (JNPT) to Dadri (1506 Km).

The comparative statement showing completion of DFCs in 2014 and 2023 is as under:-

Periods up to	Commissioned (in Km)
March, 2014	Nil
January, 2024	2557 Km

Dedicated Freight Corridor (DFC) Project will have positive impact on transportation and logistic sector as it will enable enhanced movement of Double Stack Container (DSC) trains, higher axle load trains, faster access of northern hinterland by Western Ports and development of new terminals/linkages with industries along the DFC. These developments will enable reduction in logistic cost.