GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2497 ANSWERED ON 21.03.2025

STATUS AND EXTENSION OF DEDICATED RAILWAY LINE TO KAKINADA SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE

2497. SHRI SANA SATHISH BABU:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of dedicated railway line to Kakinada Special Economic Zone (KSEZ) from the proposed Kakinada Gateway Port to Annavaram Station, including details of physical progress and the expected completion timeline;
- (b) the funds allocated, released, and utilized for, the project so far, along with details of any loans availed from banks;
- (c) whether Government is considering extending the dedicated railway line up to existing Kakinada Port Railway Station (COA) for better connectivity and overall development of the region; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons for not extending the line?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d) M/s. Kakinada Gateway Port Limited has applied for a new railway line (15 Km) from existing Annavaram station to Kakinada Gateway Port under Gati Shakti Multi-Modal Cargo Terminal (GCT) Policy 2022. All necessary approvals for the same have been granted by Indian Railway by September, 2024.
