

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
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FUNDS FOR DEDICATED FREIGHT CORRIDORS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the freight loaded by the Indian Railways in the year 2024;
- (b) the funds allocated by the Ministry for Dedicated Freight Corridors (DFC) as of February 2025;
and
- (c) the timeline of the operationalisation of Dedicated Freight Corridors?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c) During F.Y. 2024-25, the freight loading on Indian Railways is 1617 MT, making it second largest freight loading railways in the world.

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 work on EDFC has been completed. The works of 1404 km out of total 1506 km has been completed on WDFC. The work on balance section (102 km) of WDFC has been taken up.

The progress of DFC construction on these two corridors is as under:

PERIOD	DFC constructed
Upto 2014	NIL
2014 till now	2741 Km

DFC is now already operational. On an average 350 trains operate daily on DFC corridors.

Upto February 2025, an expenditure of Rs. 99,034 crores has been incurred on DFC corridors.
