

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4767
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.03.2023**

MOVEMENTS OF FERTILIZERS

4767. SHRI MAHESH SAHOO:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that there is a lack of adequate facilities at rake points for movement of fertilizer, if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Railways conducted an audit in this regard, if so, the findings thereof;**
- (c) whether the Railways ensures that proper approach road with necessary electrification be done at such places; and**
- (d) if so, the steps taken/to be taken by the Government to improve the facilities?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

(a) to (d): The existing facilities at rake points for fertilizer movement are adequate for present level of traffic. Facilities are inspected through internal process of scheduled inspections. Approach Roads to the goods shed are outside Railway's premises and concerned authorities are regularly advised about maintenance and upgradation of the same. Improvement of facilities at rake points is a continuous process. Ministry of Railways has proposed ₹12000 crore under Umbrella work for upgradation/modernization of infrastructure at goods sheds for 2023-24.
