

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2143
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2023**

DEDICATED FREIGHT CORRIDORS

2143. SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of dedicated freight corridors operational in the country, State/UT-wise;**
- (b) the benefits realised due to the same;**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to have more such dedicated freight corridors in the country, especially in the State of Andhra Pradesh; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): In order to get the benefits of enhancement in transport capacity, faster transit time and higher average speeds, increased movement of Double Stack Container trains, better rail connectivity to industries and savings of CO2 emissions, 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). So far, a length of 1046 Km of WDFC and 1150 Km of EDFC has been commissioned. Remaining sections are at different stages of completion. Presently, the DFC is operational in the State of Punjab, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Haryana, Rajasthan and Gujarat.

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Further, Ministry of Railways has taken up preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for following three(03) new Dedicated Freight Corridors (DFCs) out of which two are passing through the State of Andhra Pradesh:-

- (i) East-Coast Corridor :Kharagpur to Vijayawada**
- (ii) East-West corridor :**
 - (a) Palghar-Bhusawal-Nagpur-Kharagpur-Dankuni**
 - (b) Rajkharsawan - Kalipahari - Andal**
- (iii) North-South Sub-corridor:Vijayawada-Nagpur-Itarsi**
