### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2221 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2023

#### **GATI SHAKTI CARGO TERMINALS**

#### 2221. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has proposed to establish Gati Shakti Cargo Terminals (GSCTs) in India;
- (b) if so, the details of locations where Railways is proposing to establish the above terminals in Jharkhand;
- (c) whether any timeline has been fixed for this, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has already established GSCTs in Jharkhand and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether some GSCTs have already become functional, if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the number of people being benefited by direct and indirect employment?

## ANSWER MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (f):A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2221 BY SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH CHOUDHARY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 02.08.2023 REGARDING GATI SHAKTI CARGO TERMINALS

(a) to (f): In order to boost investment from industry in setting up of cargo terminals, 'Gati Shakti Multi-Modal Cargo Terminal (GCT)' policy has been launched, wherein GCTs are being developed by non-railway agencies.

Upto 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2023, a total of 48 GCTS have been commissioned across the country, which include 05 GCTs (i.e. at Patratu, Sindri, Godda, Pakur and Thaparnagar) in Jharkhand.

As per the provisions of the GCT policy, private parties/agencies/companies come forward to setup terminals. Gati Shakti Cargo Terminal Operators are expected to complete the construction within twenty-four (24) months from grant of 'In-Principle-Approval'.

The GCT policy helps in enhancing the participation of private sector in Indian Railways, thereby generating direct and indirect employment opportunities. The number cannot be ascertained as it has a multiplier effect in employment generation.

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