

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2710  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.12.2019**

**COASTAL RAIL ROUTES**

**†2710. SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal for reducing distance of freight coastal rail route and saving time and cost thereby;**
- (b) if so, the details of the action plan likely to be prepared with regard to coastal rail route from Mumbai to Kolkata;**
- (c) whether international ports like Paradip, Golapur, etc. are connected with the rail route and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the Government has taken any decision in this regard along with the estimated cost of the said route; and**
- (e) whether any action has been taken so far in this regard and if not, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY**

**(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

**(a) & (b) No, Sir. The coastal rail route from Mumbai to Kolkata is already connected on rail network via Mangalore, Kanniyakumari, Chennai, Vizag and Paradeep.**

**(c) & (d) Paradeep port is connected with Cuttack on Indian Railway Network. Further, a work of new line between Haridaspur-Paradeep having a length of 82 Kms at a cost of ₹1844.47 Cr is in various stages of execution. There is no port by name Golapur.**

**(e) Does not arise.**

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