

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2929
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.03.2020**

DEDICATED FREIGHT CORRIDOR

†2929. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any concrete policy for dedicated freight corridor;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the number of trains to be handed over to private sector during the last five years; and**
- (d) the details thereof?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b) Presently, Ministry of Railways is implementing two Dedicated Freight Corridors namely, Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor from Ludhiana to Dankuni (1856 km.) and Western Dedicated Freight Corridor from Dadri to Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (1504 km.). These corridors are targeted to be completed in phases by December 2021. In addition, Ministry of Railways has decided to undertake Detailed Project Reports (DPR) for new Dedicated Freight corridors on the following routes :

- 1. East Coast corridor- Kharagpur to Vijayawada**
- 2. East-West Sub-corridor (i) - Bhusaval-Wardha-Nagpur-Rajkharswan-Kharagpur-Uluberia-Dankuni**
East-West Sub-corridor (ii) - Rajkharswan-Kalipahari-Andal
- 3. North - South sub-corridor - Vijayawada- Nagpur-Itarsi**

(c) & (d): A Concession Agreement has been signed between Ministry of Railways (MOR) and Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India Limited (DFCCIL) on 28th February 2014 which inter alia enjoins DFCCIL to allow authorized Railway users including Indian Railways to run their own trains on the DFC network.
