

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1783  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.09.2020**

**CHABAHAR-ZAHEDAN RAIL PROJECT**

**1783. SHRIMATI PRENEET KAUR:**

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India has lost the Chabahar-Zahedan Rail Project, and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the status-quo of the MoU signed between IRCON (Ircn International Limited) and CDTIC (Construction and Development of Transportation Infrastructures Company) as of present day; and
- (c) whether IRCON is disengaged from its obligations of developing the Chabahar-Zahedan Rail Project and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
[SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN]**

**(a) to (c)** During the visit of the Prime Minister to Iran in May 2016, a MoU was signed between Indian Railways' IRCON and Iranian Railways' CDTIC (Construction & Development of Transportation Infrastructures Company) for construction of the Chabahar-Zahedan Railway Project. The two sides remain engaged on this matter.

India and Iran continue to cooperate on developmental projects in Iran, including the Chabahar-Zahedan railway line.

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