GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1826

TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.09.2020

PRIVATISATION OF FREIGHT CORRIDORS

1826.SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether after allowing private players to run passenger trains, Indian Railways is going to open two freight corridors to private operators;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India (DFCCIL) has started the process in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the number of routes and trains allowed to be operated by private operators; and
- (f) the future plan for privatisation of freight corridors and passenger trains and the extent to which this process is likely to adversely affect the railway employees?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (f): As per the current mandate and scheme, Indian Railways will be the sole operator of Freight trains on Dedicated Freight Corridors (DFC) network. The privately owned wagons/freight trains which are currently being operated on Indian Railways, will run on DFCs also. There is no plan for privatisation of freight corridors.
