## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2561 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.03.2021

### **RO-RO TRAIN SERVICE**

### 2561. SHRI DIPSINH SHANKARSINH RATHOD: SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Saurashtra including Rajkot and Morbi are major hubs of manufacturing and transporting of essential commodities along with ceramic tiles to various parts of the country;
- (b) whether the Government is contemplating to operationalise RO-RO train service from Gujarat to various parts of the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

- (a): Yes, Sir.
- (b) to (d): As per extant practice, Zonal Railways receive the proposals for RO-RO services from parties and forward the same to Railway Board for evaluation. Two proposals were received by Railways for RO-RO traffic from Rajkot to Surathkal, which were subsequently withdrawn by the parties.

An in-principle approval for operation of RO-RO service between New Palanpur-New Rewari stations over Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India Limited (DFCCIL) has also been given.

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