

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2588  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.03.2021**

**SEPARATE TRACKS FOR GOODS TRAINS**

**†2588. SHRI AJAY KUMAR MISRA TENI:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is taking/proposes to take concrete steps to construct separate railway tracks for goods trains for the purpose of accelerating the economy of the country;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND  
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION**

**(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

**(a) to (c): Ministry of Railways is implementing two Dedicated Freight Corridors (DFCs) namely Eastern DFC (Ludhiana-Dankuni, 1875 kms.) and Western DFC (Dadri to Jawaharlal Port Terminal, 1506 Kms.). Eastern DFC between Ludhiana-Sonnager (1337 Kms.) and entire Western DFC are targeted for commissioning in phases by June, 2022. Sonnagar-Dankuni (538 Kms.) section has been planned for execution on Public Private Partnership (PPP).**

**By segregating the freight traffic, DFC is expected to transform the freight transportation scenario in its catchment area. On complete commissioning of DFCs, it will be able to offer higher transport output with faster transit of goods traffic. Further, the unit cost of freight transport is expected to be reduced resulting in reduction of Logistics cost as well. The above benefits will promote trade and Industry.**

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**Further, the Government has short-listed following three more corridors for undertaking Detailed Project Report (DPR) :-**

- (i) East Coast Corridor – Kharagpur - Vijaywada- Length 1115 Kms.**
- (ii) East-West sub Corridor**
  - a. Bhusawal-Wardha-Nagpur-Rajkharswan-Kharagpur-Uluberia-Dankuni - Length-1673 Kms.**
  - b. Rajkharswan-Kalipahari-Andal- 195 Kms.**
- (iii) North South Sub Corridor-Vijaywada-Nagpur-Itarsi-Length – 975 Kms.**

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