### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1351 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.02.2022

#### **DEDICATED FREIGHT VILLAGES**

#### 1351. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Bihar is a part of the Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor (EDFC);
- (b) if so, the total length of the freight corridor line that has been approved for the State along with the details of the quantum of funds sanctioned for the same;
- (c) whether the Government also plans to set up dedicated freight villages in the State; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government to develop Bihar as a transport and logistics hub?

#### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

- (a) and (b): Yes, Sir. Out of total 1337 km of Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor (EDFC) from Ludhiana to Sonnagar, 104 km of route passes through Bihar. Further out of 538 km of Sonnagar to Dankuni section of EDFC which is planned for execution on Pubic Private Partnership (PPP) mode, 132 km passes through Bihar. Funds for execution of project are sanctioned for entire DFC project and not statewise.
- (c) and (d): There is no proposal for setting-up of dedicated freight villages along the alignment of EDFC in the State of Bihar.

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