GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1657 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.07.2022

EAST COAST FREIGHT CORRIDOR

1657. SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of funds allocated and utilised for the East Coast Freight Corridor;
- (b) the details of the works that have been completed under the East Coast Corridor;
- (c) whether the DPR and survey work for the corridor has been completed and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Covid-19 pandemic has caused any delay in the work, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Railways is further planning to extend the corridor and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e): Ministry of Railways has decided to undertake the work of survey and Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the East-Coast Freight Corridor from Kharagpur to Vijayawada.

The Survey/DPR work is still not completed.

The decision regarding sanctioning of any new Freight Corridor depends on many factors including outcome of the DPR, technoeconomic feasibility, financial viability, financing arrangement etc.
