

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1960
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.02.2026**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF RAIL CARGO TERMINAL IN HARIDWAR-LAKSAR
INDUSTRIAL AREA**

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to establish a rail cargo terminal in the Haridwar-Laksar industrial area of Uttarakhand to facilitate the smooth movement of goods from the hundreds of factories located there;**
- (b) if so, the details of proposed location, capacity, and objectives of the said cargo terminal;**
- (c) the current status of approval for this project and the time by which it is likely to be implemented;**
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor; and**
- (e) the Government's plans for the future keeping in view of the industrial needs of this region?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (e) : In order to encourage setting up of cargo terminals through private investment, 'Gati Shakti Multi-Modal Cargo Terminal (GCT)' policy has been launched, under which 124 GCTs have already been commissioned with an estimated traffic capacity of 198 million tonnes per annum (MTPA). Further, in-principle approvals (IPAs) for 280 more locations have been given.

So far, proposals for 3 locations (i.e. Pathri, Laksar and Iqbalpur) have been received for development of GCTs in Uttarakhand including Haridwar-Laksar industrial area, where in-principle approvals (IPAs) have already been given. The details of proposed location, capacity and its objective is as under –

SN	Location	Capacity	Objective
1	Pathri	01 full rake container siding	To facilitate container traffic.
2	Laksar	03 full rake container siding	To facilitate container traffic.
3	Iqbalpur	02 full rake handling lines	To facilitate inward clinker and outward bagged cement.

As per the provisions of the GCT policy, the agencies are expected to implement/complete the construction within twenty four (24) months of grant of final approval for commencement of construction.

Location of the GCTs is decided on the basis of demand from industry, potential of Cargo traffic, availability of railway infrastructure and overall logistics potential of the area.
