

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1405
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PLAN AND CURRENT STATUS OF DFC IN KONKAN REGION

1405# SHRI DHAIRYASHIL MOHAN PATIL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of Dedicated Freight Corridors (DFC) and the number of corridors that have been commissioned so far;
- (b) whether Government proposes to build any DFC to enhance freight transportation capacity in Konkan region; and
- (c) whether a DFC is proposed in Konkan region, its timeline, route and the estimated cost and the steps being taken towards this?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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(a) to (c): Ministry of Railways has taken up construction of two Dedicated Freight Corridors (DFC) viz. Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor (EDFC) from Ludhiana to Sonnagar (1337 Km) and the Western Dedicated Freight Corridor (WDFC) from Jawaharlal Nehru Port Terminal (JNPT) to Dadri (1506 Km). Out of total 2843 Km, 2741 Route Kilometers (96.4%) has been commissioned and operational, which carried 72,617 freight trains during F.Y. 2024-25 (April to October).

The decision regarding sanctioning of any of a Dedicated Freight Corridor depends on many factors including traffic volume, techno-economic feasibility and financial viability.
