

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.74  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.12.2022**

**REVENUE GENERATION THROUGH FREIGHT TRANSPORT**

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**SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:**

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

**(a) the total revenue generated by the Railways through freight transport during each of the last three years, zone-wise;**

**(b) whether the share of railway freight is very low as compared to road and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;**

**(c) whether the Railways aims to increase its share in freight movement from the present 27 per cent to 45 per cent by 2030 and if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard;**

**(d) whether the Government has any timeline for operationalising all sections of the Dedicated Freight Corridor and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and**

**(e) the steps taken/ being taken by the Government to enhance freight earnings of Railways, year-wise since the last three years?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

**(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.**

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 74 BY SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI, SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR, SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA, SHRI SELVAM G., DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR S., DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE, SHRIMATI MANJULATA MANDAL, DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE, SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR, SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE AND SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.12.2022 REGARDING REVENUE GENERATION THROUGH FREIGHT TRANSPORT**

**(a) Zone-wise details of revenue generated through freight transport during the last three years is as under:**

**(₹ in crore)**

<b>Railways</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2021-22 (provisional)</b>
<b>Central Railway</b>	<b>7267.53</b>	<b>7022.88</b>	<b>9243.03</b>
<b>Eastern Railway</b>	<b>4047.25</b>	<b>4483.80</b>	<b>5487.43</b>
<b>East Central Railway</b>	<b>8784.44</b>	<b>9415.00</b>	<b>11564.75</b>
<b>East Coast Railway</b>	<b>15894.37</b>	<b>16913.89</b>	<b>18511.22</b>
<b>Northern Railway</b>	<b>6768.42</b>	<b>7249.66</b>	<b>9823.38</b>
<b>North Central Railway</b>	<b>8048.32</b>	<b>7577.66</b>	<b>10093.16</b>
<b>North Eastern Railway</b>	<b>1460.10</b>	<b>1603.42</b>	<b>1643.17</b>
<b>Northeast Frontier Railway</b>	<b>1932.67</b>	<b>2190.66</b>	<b>2606.52</b>
<b>North Western Railway</b>	<b>4016.90</b>	<b>4856.63</b>	<b>5228.13</b>
<b>Southern Railway</b>	<b>2755.38</b>	<b>2604.04</b>	<b>3112.85</b>
<b>South Central Railway</b>	<b>9905.79</b>	<b>9031.72</b>	<b>12320.14</b>
<b>South Eastern Railway</b>	<b>13798.85</b>	<b>13855.63</b>	<b>14734.79</b>
<b>South East Central Railway</b>	<b>12459.32</b>	<b>13430.93</b>	<b>15680.23</b>
<b>South Western Railway</b>	<b>2891.50</b>	<b>3061.72</b>	<b>3842.07</b>
<b>Western Railway</b>	<b>5436.92</b>	<b>5949.81</b>	<b>7495.27</b>
<b>West Central Railway</b>	<b>8020.11</b>	<b>7984.37</b>	<b>9710.24</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>113487.87</b>	<b>117231.82</b>	<b>141096.38</b>

**(b) & (c) Indian Railways have prepared a National Rail Plan (NRP) for India. The NRP aims to formulate strategies based on both operational capacities and commercial policy initiatives to increase modal share of Railways freight to 45%. The objective of the Plan is to create infrastructure capacity ahead of demand, which in turn would also cater to future to in demand upto 2050 and also increase the model share of Railways to 45% in freight traffic to continue to sustain it.**

**(d) The government is presently executing two Dedicated Freight Corridors i.e. Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor (EDFC) and Western**

**Dedicated Freight Corridor (WDFC). The timeline for completion/operationalisation of these corridors are as under:-**

**(i) Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor (EDFC):**

**Out of the 1337 KM in EDFC (excluding the Sonnagar-Dankuni section consisting of 538 KM which is undertaken through the Public Private Partnership mode) the sections of Bhaupur-Khurja (351 KM), Bhimsen – Sujatpur (155KM) and Deen Dayal Upadhyay- Chirailapathu (137 KM), Khurja to Dadri (46 KM) & Chheoki to Chunar (110 KM) i.e, a total of 799 KM has already been completed and trains operation are in progress. Work on remaining sections is in full swing and targeted for completion in year 2023.**

**(ii) Western Dedicated Freight Corridor (WDFC):**

**Out of the total 1506 KM, the stretch of Rewari -Mehsana -Sanand consisting of 811 KM has already been completed and trains are operating in this stretch. Work on the remaining sections is in full swing. More than 90% of WDFC is targeted for commissioning by 2023. Last stretch of 102 KM from Vaitarna to Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (JNPT) is targeted to be completed by 2024.**

**(e) To enhance freight revenue, Indian Railways is constantly in touch with customers. Its focus is on meeting the needs of freight in terms of timely availability, reliable service and proper handling of cargo.**

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