

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1459
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.12.2024**

FREIGHT MAINTENANCE FACILITIES AT BARWADIH

1459. SHRI DULU MAHATO:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has approved the proposal for the improvement of freight maintenance facilities at Barwadih depot, and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) the current status and the estimated cost of the improvement project for freight maintenance facilities at Barwadih depot;**
- (c) the improvements planned for the freight maintenance facilities at said depot;**
- (d) whether these improvements will enhance the operational efficiency and capacity for freight handling at said depot, if so, the details thereof;**
- (e) whether any additional infrastructure or equipment is planned as part of the improvement project, and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (f) if not, the reasons for not initiating the project?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (f) To improve safety in train operations, improve operational efficiency, reduce wagon turnaround time etc., Indian Railways have taken up several steps including upgradation/augmentation/improvement of its freight maintenance facilities. During the last five years, works costing above Rs. 7000 Crores have been taken up for this initiative. The work for improvement of freight maintenance facilities, Barwadih has been sanctioned at a cost of Rs. 29.48 Crores.

Some key features of the project are as under:-

- I. Extension of shed, additional service building, Overhauling sections etc.**
- II. Electrical facilities in the extended shed and improvement in lighting and power supply.**
- III. Provision of modern machines.**
