

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DOUBLE- STACK CONTAINER TRAINS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government plans to run double-stack container trains;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the routes where these trains would be introduced;
- (d) whether this project would be undertaken with external help; and
- (e) if so, details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) to (c): Trial runs and related works are planned to be carried out on Pipavav-Jaipur circuit initially. If the trials are successful, regular run on these routes will be taken up. Extension to other feasible sectors will be considered subsequently. Possibility of running Double Stack Container on the proposed Dedicated Freight Corridor (Delhi – Mumbai and Delhi - Howrah) is also being technically assessed under the Feasibility Report for new lines.

(d) & (e): Trials are being carried out with Indian Railways resources. Pipavav Railway Corporation Limited (PRCL) has been involved in the project assessment stage. External (presumed foreign) help has not been planned for.