

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEDICATED FREIGHT CORRIDOR PROJECTS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the routes approved for construction of Eastern and Western Dedicated Freight Corridor Projects;
- (b) the progress made so far for development of these Dedicated Freight Corridor Projects; and
- (c) the time frame fixed for completion of these projects?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Eastern Dedicated Railway Freight Corridor Project will start from Ludhiana in Punjab and will terminate at Son Nagar. This route will be extended to the proposed Deep Sea Port in Kolkata area considering the possibility of increase in freight traffic on account of this port. Western Dedicated Freight Corridor will start from Jawaharlal Nehru Port and will be routed via Vadodara, Ahmedabad, Palanpur and Rewari to Tughlakabad/Dadri.

A new Public Sector Undertaking named Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India Limited (DFCCIL) has been formed to implement the projects. As per the present estimate, the work on the projects will be completed in about 5 years after the start of construction of the project.