

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3044  
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SETTING UP OF FREIGHT TERMINALS IN PRIVATE SECTOR  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether a scheme to set up Freight Terminal in the private sector was formulated during the year 1998-99;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the reasons for not having commenced the work thereon so far; and
- (d) the name of the company accepting the responsibility to set up Freight Terminals ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

- (a) Yes, Sir. A scheme for private terminal was considered.
- (b) In order to provide value added service to rail customers and in view of scarcity of resources for funding terminal infrastructure, it has been decided, in principle, to invite private parties with sound credentials to set up freight terminals. The Terminal Service provider will provide all facilities for booking, loading/ unloading, delivery, storage etc. of goods to the customers. The Railways will give him suitable financial incentive.
- (c) The work will commence on finalisation of terms and conditions.
- (d) A proposal has been received from one private company M/s. Continental Warehousing Corporation Limited for setting up such a freight terminal at Garhi Harsaru, near Gurgaon.