

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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RAIL ROAD CONNECTIVITY TO PARADEEP PORT  
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**Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has drawn up any scheme/plan to facilitate Rail-Road connectivity between Paradeep Port and the mining belt of Orissa;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): The details of the various Rail-Road connectivity scheme/plan between Paradeep Port and the mining belt of Orissa are as follows :

(I) Details of the Rail connectivity Paradeep Port is already linked to the mining belt of Orissa by Cuttack-Paradeep rail line. Apart from this, Daitari-Banspani Rail Link of 147 kms has been completed and commissioned. The work for construction of a new railway line between Haridaspur and Paradeep is in progress.

(II) Details of the road connectivity

(i) Four laning of Chandikhole-Paradeep on National Highway No. 5A is in progress and 90% work has been completed.

(ii) The Public Private Partnership Appraisal Committee (PPPAC) has cleared the following projects to be implemented through BOT (Toll) basis after selection of the bidder:

(i) On National Highway No. 200 four laning of Chandikhole-Duburi-Talcher.

(ii) On National Highway No.215 four laning of Panikoili-Keonjhar-Rimuli.

(iii) On National Highway No.215 four laning of Rimuli-Roxy-Rajamunda.