

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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RAIL ROAD INTEGRATION INITIATIVES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and the progress made so far in the initiatives taken by the Railways for rail-road integration in the country; and
- (b) the other steps taken/being taken by the Railways to further improve the said process?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) & (b). Roll-on-Roll-off (Ro-Ro) services are in operation on Konkan Railway since the year 1999.

With a view to enhance the scope of moving cargo seamlessly on both modes of transport, other inter-modal solutions are also being explored. To this end, an Agreement has been executed between M/s. Kirloskar Pneumatic Co. Ltd. and Northern Railway to test the feasibility of operating a specialized service utilizing Road Rainers through a pilot project on Delhi-Chennai sector. The Road Rainers are to be designed with the capability of running on Railway tracks on conventional steel wheels and, also, on the road on pneumatic tyres.