

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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LOGISTIC DEVELOPMENT
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the logistic development through railways is lagging behind in the country compared to other developed countries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Railways in this regard;
- (d) whether the Railways propose to set up multi-modal logistics parks through public private partnership mode in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details and the present status thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY)

(a) to (c) : Development of logistics and terminal infrastructure is an ongoing process on Indian Railways and depending on the type of traffic, quantum of traffic and the origin-destination flows, capacity of existing terminals are augmented or new facilities developed. Comparative data regarding logistics development in developed countries is not maintained.

(d) & (e): Setting up of Multi-Modal Logistics Parks (MMLP) through Public Private Partnership (PPP) route is one of the areas identified in the 12th Plan. The Private Freight Terminal (PFT) Policy envisages setting up of freight terminals on private land as a multi user facility. These PFTs function as MMLPs. This policy guideline was issued on 23.04.2012. At present 18 PFTs are already functional and approval for 37 more has been given by the Zonal Railways.