## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

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## Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have any plan to convert the route from Kandla to Palanpur as a part of dedicated freight corridor between Delhi-Mumbai:
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any plan for providing such double stack facility in any other parts of the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Container Corporation of India is running a special container train connecting ports in the country; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof indicating the names of Ports and States?

## **Answer**

## MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRIK. H. MUNIYAPPA)

- (a) & (b): No, Madam. However, Kandla -Palanpur Section is one of the identified feeder routes of Western Dedicated Freight Corridor.
- (c) & (d): Currently double stack container trains are running between Pipavav/Mundra and Kanakpura (Jaipur). It is planned to run double stack container trains on Western Dedicated Freight Corridor (Jawaharlal Nehru Port in Mumbai to Dadri/Tughlakabad in Delhi).
- (e) & (f): Container Corporation of India Ltd. (CONCOR) is providing normal container train services from its hinterland Inland Container Depots (ICDs) to various ports including Jawaharlal Nehru Port, Mumbai (Maharashtra), Kolkata Port (West Bengal), Chennai Port, Tuticorin Port (Tamil Nadu), Cochin Port (Kerala), Vishakhapatanam Port (Andhra Pradesh), Kandla Port, Mundra Port and Pipavav Port (Gujarat). Train services to and from ports are planned depending upon the traffic volumes.