

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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FREIGHT CORRIDOR PROJECTS TRAINS

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

- (a) whether the Railways have been implementing dedicated freight corridor projects in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/Zone-wise including Punjab;
- (c) whether the Railways have any proposal to increase the number of freight trains in Punjab;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Railways in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA )

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor (EDFC) and Western Dedicated Freight Corridor (WDFC) are currently under implementation.

Western Dedicated Freight Corridor starts from JNPT Mumbai and passes through the States of Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan, Haryana and terminate at Dadri in Uttar Pradesh. Total length is about 1500 Kms.

Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor starts from Sahnewal near Ludhiana in Punjab and passes through the States of Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar & Jharkhand and terminates at Dankuni in West Bengal. Total length is about 1856 km.

(c) to (e): In the current year up to February 2015 on an average 24.80 rakes per day have been loaded to Punjab State as against 24.09 rakes per day loaded in 2013-14 i.e. an increase of approximately 2.95% over previous year.