

## Laying Down the Tracks of Development and Connectivity

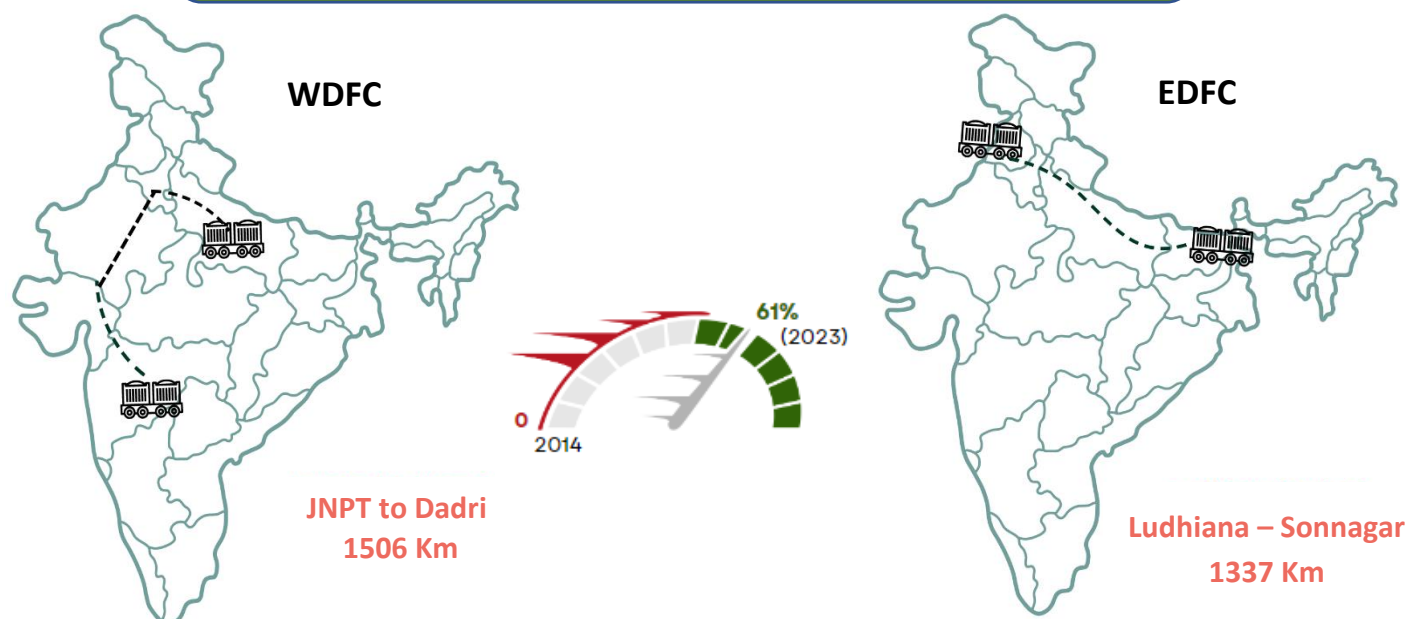
*Over 60 per cent work of Dedicated Freight Corridors completed in last 9 years*

**886 Km (66%) on EDFC and 863 Km (57%) on WDFC completed**

Government of India has taken up the construction of two Dedicated Freight Corridors (DFC) namely the Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor (EDFC) from **Ludhiana, Punjab to Sonnagar, Bihar (1337 Km)** and the Western Dedicated Freight Corridor (WDFC) from **Jawaharlal Nehru Port Terminal, Maharashtra to Dadri, Uttar Pradesh (1506 Km)**.

Starting from scratch in 2014, **886 km of work (66.27%) on EDFC**, and **863 km of work (57.30%) on WDFC** has been completed (as on March 22, 2023). The remarkable progress can be gauged from a 9.6 times **increase in expenditure** incurred (including land for these projects) from Rs. 10,357 crores in 2013-14 to **Rs. 99,872 crores** as on March 22, 2023.

**886 Km (66.27%) on EDFC and 863 Km (57.30%) on WDFC, which makes a total of 1749 Km (61.5%), has been completed till 22.03.2023**



These corridors are expected to boost industrial activities and facilitate the development of new industrial hubs and townships. The logistic sector will also benefit from the development of New Freight terminals, Multimodal Logistic Parks and Inland Container Depots creating direct and indirect employment in the project-influence areas.

### Further Reading:

- <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleaseIframePage.aspx?PRID=1897378>
- <https://sansad.in/lis/questions/questions-and-answers> \* (Q. No 3659)