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Smt Darshana Jardosh, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Railways & Textiles inaugurated 4 Road Overbridges (ROBs) and a Pedestrian Subway situated in Mahesana & Banaskantha districts of Gujarat today

Smt Darshana Jardosh, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Railways & Textiles inaugurated ROB in place of Level Crossing (LC) 208B, LC 206 between IR Unjha & Bhandu Motidau stations, ROB at LC No 170 between IR Palanpur & Umardashi stations & ROB -1 of Twin ROB at Palanpur Yard in Gujarat

Hon'ble MoSR also inaugurated Pedestrian Subway at Palanpur station

The ROBs will ensure enhanced safety and saving of time for road traffic users and are another milestone in our goal of ensuring a level crossing free DFC across WDFC & EDFC

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Smt Darshana Jardosh, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Railways & Textiles inaugurated 4 Road Overbridges and a Pedestrian Subway in Gujarat today. The length of the bridge of ROB 208B built between IR Unjha and Bhandu Motidau stations is 1304 metres and has an approach road length of 1208 meters. Its connecting road is between Bhandu and Visnagar in the Mahesana district of Gujarat. The ROB has been constructed by DFCCIL. The total cost of work is Rs 38 crores and cost-sharing allocation is 25% by DFCCIL, 25% by IR, and 50% by the state of Gujarat.

The ROB in place of LC No 206, also built between IR Unjha and Bhandu Motidau stations is 1438 metres and has an approach road length of 1366 metres. Its connecting road is between SH-41 to JetalVasna-Visanagar village in the Mahesana district of Gujarat. The ROB has been constructed by DFCCIL. The total cost of work is Rs 48.77 crores and cost-sharing allocation is 50% by DFCCIL and 50% by IR.

The ROB in place of LC No 170, also built between IR Palanpur and Umardashi stations is 1200 metres and has an approach road length of 1128 metres. Its connecting road is State Highway (SH-41) to Esbipura - Palanpur city in Banaskantha district of Gujarat. The ROB has been constructed by DFCCIL. The total cost of work is Rs 45 crores and cost-sharing allocation is 50% by DFCCIL and 50% by IR.

The ROB-1 of the Twin ROB has been constructed at Palanpur station yard. Its connecting road is NH-27 & SH-41 with Palanpur city in the Banaskantha district of Gujarat. It has been constructed at a cost of Rs 17 crore.

The Pedestrian Subway at Palanpur station has ramps on both sides and has been constructed at a cost of Rs 3.5 crore. It has been constructed by DFCCIL.

DFC in Gujarat

DFCCIL has a strong presence in the state of Gujarat. DFC has an alignment of 565 km in the state along the Western dedicated Freight Corridor. DFC has invested Rs 1910 crore in land acquisition, Rs 14,000 crore in major Civil, Electrical and S&T contracts and Rs 4500 crore (DFC's share) in ROB contracts.

There are numerous Road Over Bridges (ROBs) & Road Under Bridges (RUBs) in the state. In furtherance of our mission to make DFCCIL, level crossing-free for ensuring safe, expeditious movement of freight as well as ensuring safe movement of road traffic, out of the 155 Level Crossings, 81 ROBs, 66 RUBs and 8 instances of direct closure of LCs are being undertaken at an approximate cost of Rs 4500 crore.

There are 19 DFCCIL stations across its alignment. They are – Palanpur, Sri Amirgarh, Chadotar Jn., Umardasi ,Mehsana Jn, Ghumasan, Sanand (North) Jn, Sanand (South) Jn, Timba, Changa, Makarpura Jn, Vasad, Varediya, Sanjali, Gothangam Jn, Udhna Jn., Pardi , Ancheli and New Gholvad Jn.

Benefits of WDFC to Gujarat State

- DFC traverses a 565 route km length through 12 Districts - Banaskantha, Patan, Mahesana, Gandhinagar, Ahmedabad, Kheda, Anand, Vadodara, Bharuch, Surat, Navsari and Valsad.
- Investments of more than Rs 18,000 Cr (other than Land) have been done by DFCCIL.
- 2578 Hectares of land was acquired with the disbursal of Land Awards of Rs. 1955 crore to 9342 PAFs.
- 155 LCs are being closed by 81 ROBs and 66 RUB/LHSs to facilitate hassle-free & safe movement of road vehicles. 29 ROBs and 58 RUBs have already been completed.
- Decongesting Gujarat rail route with capacity building for more passenger and freight trains.

- Big boost to Port traffic- Pipavav, Mundra, Kandla, Hazira and others.
- Development of an Industrial Corridor along the Western DFC for development of industry clusters and SEZ along with freight logistics parks.
- 2 Private Freight Terminals (PFTs) at New Sanjali and New Gothangam have been planned to boost trade and commerce.
- Multi Modal Logistics Parks (MMLP) in Varnama (CONCOR), Navkar Terminal and Sanand will boost the capacity to handle cargo.
- Logistics parks are being set up at strategic locations at Vapi, Ahmedabad, Gandhidham for catering to Piece meal break-bulk traffic presently moving by road, single commodity train-load traffic, domestic container, automobile and Trucks on Train traffic.

DFCCIL will help in the creation of direct and indirect employment opportunities for locals across its 565 km alignment spread across 12 districts.