

## **MD's, Speech at 18<sup>th</sup> AGM**

- On behalf of the Board of Directors of DFCCIL, I am pleased to welcome you all to the 18th Annual General Meeting of your Company.
- DFCCIL has achieved an extraordinary surge in operations during the FY 2023-24, with Gross Ton Kilometres (GTKMs) increasing by 142%, reaching 119 billion GTKMs. This highlights our significant expansion in operational capacity and efficiency.
- Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor (EDFC) has significantly reduced transit times between Sonnagar and Dadri from 34 hours to just 19-20 hours—a 40% reduction.
- Similarly, the transit time for essential commodities, like milk from Palanpur to the NCR region, has been reduced by approximately 30%, from 24 hours to just 16 hours, ensuring quicker delivery to consumption centres.
- In EXIM Traffic the transit time between the NCR area and the ports on the western coast, has been reduced from around 72 hours to just 24-28 hours, significantly boosting our competitiveness in international trade.
- DFCCIL successfully launched the Trucks on Train (TOT) service between New Palanpur and New Rewari on the Western Dedicated Freight Corridor (WDFC). This initiative has not only generated a revenue of ₹32 crores in the year 2023-24, but also it has reduced emissions.
- In FY 2023-24, the Honourable Prime Minister acknowledged DFCCIL's transformative impact on India's freight transportation sector, highlighting its crucial

role in driving the nation towards a US\$ 5 trillion economy and solidifying its position as a future global economic leader.

- The Company has received triple A rating by the multiple rating agencies.
- I would once again like to assure all our stakeholders that in spite of the challenges being faced, the company is and will continue to strive to achieve a new benchmark in the current financial year and in the years to come.
- I wish to place on record my deep appreciation and gratitude for the significant contribution and support extended by my colleagues on the Board. On behalf of the Board, with great humility I acknowledge the dedication, commitment and tireless efforts of our employees, which has helped the Company to attain this exemplary performance.

Thank you for continued support & trust

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