

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1355
ANSWERED ON 09.02.2024

EXPAND CAPACITY AT PORTS

1355. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state:

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

- (a) Whether there is a comprehensive plan to modernise and expand capacities of all the major ports notified in the country under the Major Port Trust Act, 1963;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to modernise berths and increase capacity at Visakhapatnam Port in Andhra Pradesh; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

(a) to (c) Yes. Since 2015, 62 Public Private Partnership (PPP) projects have been operationalized including mechanization, modernization and upgradation of berths and terminals in Major Ports including Visakhapatnam Port. As a result, the cargo handling capacity of Major Ports has doubled from 2013-14.
