

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 861**  
ANSWERED ON - 26.07.2024

**DEVELOPMENT OF CHABAHAR PORT**

861. SHRI PUTTA MAHESH KUMAR:

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

**पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री**

- (a) the details regarding the steps undertaken by the Government to develop Chabahar Port in Iran and the time by which it is likely to be completed;
- (b) the details regarding the total amount of funds allocated/utilised for the purpose of development and completion of Chabahar Port, especially the ShahidBehesti Port Terminal;
- (c) the details regarding the potential increase in maritime trade and commercial earnings once the Chabahar Port becomes fully functional and for the India-Middle East Europe Economic Corridor, and
- (d) whether the Government has signed similar development based agreements for ports of other countries, if so, the details thereof and their status of development and funding allocated for the same?

**ANSWER**

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

- (a) The Government of India has undertaken to develop the ShahidBeheshti Port at Chabahar, Iran by equipping and operating General Cargo and Container Terminal for a period of 10 years, as per the Long Term Main Contract, from the date of signing of the said Contract i.e., 13.05.2024.
- (b) A total of Rs.400 Cr has been allocated from FY 2016-17 to FY 2023-24. The amount utilized so far for the development of Shahid Beheshti Port of Chabahar is Rs. 201.51 Cr.
- (c) The port witnessed an increase of 43% in vessel traffic and a 34% rise in container traffic in 2023-2024. It is envisaged that there will be substantial increase in maritime trade and commercial earnings once the port becomes fully functional.
- (d) Yes Sir. A similar development based agreement has been signed with Myanmar. Rs. 90 Lakhs has been allocated for Sittwe (Myanmar) for FY 2024-2025.

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