GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 712

ANSWERED ON- 26.07.2024

DEVELOPMENT OF KAKINADA PORT

712.SHRI G M HARISH BALAYOGI:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state: पत्तन,पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any survey/study/research intoupgradation ofKakinada Port;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including funds allocated/utilized and the proposed timeline for thesame;
- (c) the details regarding the employment generation by Kakinada Port during the last threeyears along with the works undertaken to upgrade existing infrastructure; and
- (d) whether the Government has considered any policy to increase employment of localindividuals at Kakinada Port and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b) Yes Sir, Ministry of Ports Shipping and Waterways through Sagarmala Development Company Limited (SDCL) had engaged L&T Infra Engineering Limited (L&T IEL) to prepare the DPR for the Improvement of Kakinada Anchorage Port facilities. Ministry had approved the project at a total project cost of Rs. 85.83 Cr, with a Central assistance of Rs. 36.67 Crunder the Port Modernization Pillar of Sagarmala Scheme. The project was completed on 28.02.2024.
- c) The works undertaken to upgrade existing infrastructure are Construction of New Wharves for Mechanical Handling, Construction of Additional Wharves in new port area, Strengthening of Existing roads, Special Repairs to Existing Groynes and Revetments, Dredging of Commercial Canal & Approach Channel. Govt. of Andhra Pradesh has informed that Kakinada Port has generated direct employment 1000 persons during the last three years.

d) Under Coastal Community Development pillar of Sagarmala Programme, Human Resource and Skill Requirement Study for 21 coastal districts of India (2 from each Coastal State and 1 from each of 3 Union Territories) was carried out.Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD) and Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways (MoPSW) have entered a MoU to enable skilling of coastal population under DDU-GKY Sagarmala Convergence Programme.More than 6,300 candidates have been trained till date in coastal states including Andhra Pradesh under aforementioned programme.
