

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SHIPPING  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:304

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LOSSES SUFFERED BY KANDLA PORT

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**Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Kandla Port has suffered immense damage from the recent earthquake in Gujarat;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government have started the reconstruction work of the port;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the expenditure likely to be incurred on this work; and
- (f) the time by which its reconstructional work is likely to be completed?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING ( SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV )

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Kandla Port has suffered damages to its permanent structure, such as cargo jetties, oil jetties, warehouses, godowns, water supply, oil pipelines, administrative office building at Gandhidham and the Port & Customs building at Kandla, boundary walls of residential and non-residential buildings, roads and storm water drains, electrical installation / equipment, quarters, etc., due to the devastating earthquake.

(c), (d) & (e): Immediate rescue and relief operations were undertaken by the Kandla Port Trust on war-footing and the Port is now back into the operations. The permanent losses are being assessed by the Experts and repairs are to be undertaken accordingly. Tentatively, the Kandla Port Trust has suffered a loss of Rs.50 crores approximately to its property.

(f): It is too early to indicate the time frame for the reconstruction of all the damaged assets of the Port to their original condition.