

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SURFACE TRANSPORT
LOK SABHA**

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PROPOSAL FOR CORPORATISATION OF MAJOR PORTS
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Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Corporatisation of major ports is being undertaken;
- (b) if so, the ports selected for the purpose; and
- (c) its implication on Government cargo and the manner in which the safety and security of water transport is going to be ensured?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT
(DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN)

- (a) & (b):A decision has been taken for phased corporatisation of existing Major Ports starting with the new Major Port at Ennore followed by Jawaharlal Nehru and Haldia Ports.
- (c) Corporatization involves converting the Major Ports into companies. The statutory requirement pertaining to safety and security of water transport would be applicable to these companies also. Similarly, the Government cargo would continue to be governed on the basis of instructions issued from time-to-time.