

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1221  
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CONSTRUCTION OF DEEP SEA PORT  
Mondal Shri Abu Ayes

**Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal for the construction of a deep-sea port in West Bengal;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the location identified for the purpose; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Union Government for expediting this project?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. A proposal has been received from the State Government of West Bengal for setting up of a new deep-sea port on the coastline of West Bengal. The Government has initiated preparatory action. Expressions of Interest have been received from Consultants for development of the project including identification of suitable location for the proposed port which are under evaluation.