

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SHIPPING  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:394  
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INTERNATIONAL CONTAINER TRANSHIPMENT TERMINAL  
Nayak Shri Ananta

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

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to develop some International Container Transhipment Terminal at some major ports;
- (b) if so, the major ports where these International Container Transhipment Terminals are being set up; and
- (c) the steps taken in the matter?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): There is a proposal for the development of an International Container Transhipment Terminal (ICTT) in Cochin Port. Bids were invited to select the operator to develop, maintain and operate the terminal on Build, Operate and Transfer (BOT) basis. The successful bidder will operate the existing berth at Rajiv Gandhi Container Terminal (RGCT) during the initial period by which the ICTT will be constructed and operations are shifted there. The contract provides that the bidder shall not be obliged to commence construction work at ICTT, interalia, until the traffic at RGCT reaches a level of 4,00,000 Twenty Equivalent Units (TEUs). The Cochin Port Trust has recommended award of the contract for the project to the highest bidder and has sought Government approval and the proposal is under consideration of the Government..