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SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS  
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CONSTRUCTION OF HARBOUR WALL BERTH IN MUMBAI PORT  
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**Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to develop harbour wall berth in Mumbai Port;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the estimated cost of the project and the funds sanctioned thereto;
- (d) the likely benefits to be accrued to Mumbai Port after the completion of the project; and
- (e) the time-frame by which the said project will be completed?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): Yes Sir. The Government has approved the project of Mumbai Port Trust for Development of Harbour Wall Berths (18-22) at Indira Dock in January, 2008. The Project includes provision for cargo handling equipment & dredging in project area and approach channel to facilitate handling of deep drafted ships. The ingredients of the Project are:-

(i) Construction of berth platform (Size 882 M. X 10 M.) on Pile Foundation.

(ii) Dredging of berth pocket from -8.5 M.CD to -14.64 M. CD.  
Approach channel from -7.3 M.CD to -9.3 M.CD and Turning circle.

(iii) Strengthening of existing Harbour Wall.

(iv) Providing Cargo Handling infrastructure facilities like cranes, portable conveyer belts, mobile hoppers etc.

(c): The estimated cost of the Project is Rs.353 Crores which is to be met Mumbai Port from its internal resources.

(d): Presently, Deep Drafted Vessels / Over Dimensional Vessels cannot be taken into Indira Dock Basin. This Project is required to create deep draft facility to cater to the need of Deep Drafted Vessel/ Over Dimensional Vessels. After completion of the Project the handling capacity of Mumbai Port would increase by 8 Million Tonnage which would enable the Port to handle Projected Traffic in bulk, general cargo including iron and steel.

(e): The Project is scheduled to be completed by February, 2010.