GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:282 ANSWERED ON:19.03.2008 LOCATIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL SIZE SHIPYARDS Adsul Shri Anandrao Vithoba;Pathak Shri Harin

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has invited proposals from the maritime States for locating the sites where two shipyards of International size and standards could be set up as reported in 'The Hindu' dated January 08, 2008;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the maritime States thereon alongwith the locations suggested by them;
- (c) the action taken by the Union Government thereon; and
- (d) the time by which the locations are likely to be finalised?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.282 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19TH MARCH, 2008 REGARDING 'LOCATIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL SIZE SHIPYARDS' RAISED BY S/SHRI ANANDRAO V. ADSUL, HARIN PATHAK, MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

- (a): Yes, Sir.
- (b): Maritime States were requested by this Ministry to identify suitable location for setting up of international size shipyards, one each on the East Coast and West Coast of India respectively. The following basic requirements for setting up of an international size shipyard were communicated:
- (i) The minimum land requirement of 1000-1500 acres and waterfront 2.5 Kms in length;
- (ii) Water draft of 10 to 12 metres;
- (iii) The site location for the proposed shipyards to have good rail and road connectivity;
- (iv) Contiguity to a Major Port situated within the State.
- In response, the following locations have been suggested by the Maritime States:
- S. No. Name of State Site Proposed
- 1. Government of Karnataka Tadri Port (Kundle Beach) and Honne Beach under Belekeri Port
- 2. Government of Kerala Poovar in Thiruvananthapuram District on Kerala-Tamil Nadu Border

3. Government of Orissa (i) Nuagarh (Astaranga) Distt. Puri
(ii) Palur, Distt. Ganjam
(iii) Gopalpur Port at Arjipalli, Chatrapur, Distt. Ganjam
(iv) Bahuda Muhana (Sonepur), Distt. Ganjam
4. Government of Andhra Pradesh Vodarevu in Prakasam District
5. Government of West Bengal No specific site proposed as yet.
6. Government of Gujarat Government of Gujarat has proposed a few stretches such as Salaya, Jodiya, Mundra, Chanch and Pipavav and Tuna.
(c): Upon receipt of the proposals from the State Governments, further information/ clarifications have been sought by the Ministry from the respective State Governments.
(d): The nodal agencies viz. Ennore Port Limited and Mumbai Port Trust have been authorized to appoint Consultants with clear terms of reference who, inter alia, would identify 3 or 4 alternative sites each for setting up of shipyard on West Coast and East Coast of India respectively and also suggest optimal locations with detailed justification. The process for appointment of Consultants has been initiated by the nodal agencies.