

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

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DEVELOPMENT OF MINOR PORTS FOR COASTAL CARGO

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

(a) whether the Union Government has identified certain minor ports for handling coastal cargo in various States, including the State of Gujarat during the Eleventh Five Year Plan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the funds allocated for this purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) & (b): Seven minor ports, including Magdalla in Gujarat, were identified for development under the National Maritime Development Programme during the Eleventh Five Year Plan. But, since no funds could be allocated for this purpose in the Eleventh Plan, development of these minor ports may be taken up by the State Government themselves.