

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

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MARITIME UNIVERSITIES

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

- (a) the number of maritime universities established in the country at present alongwith their locations;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to open new maritime universities in the country;and
- (c) if so,the state-wise details thereof alongwith the locations identified and the time-frame fixed for this purpose?

Answer

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

(a): There are two Maritime Universities in the country,namely, the Indian Maritime University, Chennai which has been established this year through Indian Maritime University Act, 2008 (22 of 2008) and the other is Academy of Maritime Education & Training which is a deemed University in the private sector in Chennai.

(b) & (c): At present,there is no proposal to open another new Maritime University in the Government Sector.Requirement of more Universities would depend on the experience gained from establishing the Indian Maritime University and other enabling factors like availability of land, resources and presence of Maritime Institutes in the region.