

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SHIPPING  
LOK SABHA**

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GROWTH IN TRAFFIC HANDLING AT MAJOR PORTS  
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**Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of increase/decrease in growth of traffic handling at major ports during 2010 as compared to 2009; port-wise;
- (b) the reasons for decrease of such growth; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that increase growth tempo at major ports is continued?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF SHIPPING (SHRI G.K. VASAN)

(a): The details of increase/decrease in growth of traffic handling at major ports during 2010 is enclosed at Annexure – A.

(b): There is decrease in growth at Haldia Dock Complex (HDC), New Mangalore Port Trust (NMPT) and Ennore Port Ltd. only. At HDC, decrease in traffic growth is due to decrease in POL (Crude) consequent on commissioning of Paradip-Haldia Crude Pipeline and decline in average parcel load of vessels owing to draft restrictions in the navigational channel. The decrease in traffic at NMPT is attributed to the short fall in the traffic of iron ore fines due to restriction imposed by the district administration. At Ennore Port Ltd., the decrease of traffic is mainly due to reduced coal import by Tamil Nadu Electricity Board (TNEB) at their dedicated berths.

(c): Infrastructure facilities i.e. deepening of channels/ construction/reconstruction of berths, the improvement of rail/road connectivity and other logistic improvements are being carried out for faster turnaround of vessels and cargo.

**Annexure-A**

In Million Tonnes			
Port	Traffic 2008-09	Traffic 2009-10	Growth rate %
Kolkata	12.43	13.05	4.99
Haldia	41.79	33.25	-20.44
Paradip	46.41	57.01	22.84
Vizag	63.91	65.50	2.49
Ennore	11.50	10.70	-6.96
Chennai	57.49	61.06	6.21
Tuticorin	22.01	23.79	8.09
Cochin	15.23	17.43	14.45
New Mangalore	36.69	35.53	-3.16
Mormugao	41.68	48.85	17.20
Mumbai	51.88	54.54	5.13
JNPT#	57.29	60.75	6.04
Kandla	72.23	79.52	10.09
	530.54	560.98	5.74

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