GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SHIPPING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1036 ANSWERED ON:15.11.2010 AWARDING OF PORT PROJECTS Panda Shri Baijayant;Pradhan Shri Nityananda

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Shipping Ministry proposes to award twenty five port projects under Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode during the current fiscal;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of their collective value;
- (d) whether foreign companies will also be entertained along with Indian companies in development of such project;
- (e) whether these projects would enhance the capacity at the centrally regulated ports; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof inter-alia indicating those that are proposed to be developed in Orissa?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING (SHRI G. K. VASAN)

- (a) to (c): At the beginning of the financial year 2010-11, the Ministry of Shipping has fixed a target of 21 Projects under Public Private Partnership (PPP) for the major ports. This includes projects for construction of container terminal as well as development/mechanization of other cargo berths at some of the Major Ports for augmenting their cargo handling capacity. The targeted private investment through these projects is expected to be approximately Rs. fourteen thousand crores during the current financial year.
- (d): As per the current policy guidelines for PPP, foreign companies along with Indian companies can bid for these Projects in the Major Ports under PPP Mode.
- (e) & (f): It is expected that these Projects would result in capacity addition of 169.12 MT in the Major Ports of the country. In the targeted 21 Projects under PPP mode there is no Project for Paradip Port in the State of Orissa. However, a Multi Purpose Berth with a capacity of 5 MT has been awarded in the current financial year at the Paradip Port in Orissa.