

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5169
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DHAMRA PORT
Panda Shri Baijayant;Pradhan Shri Nityananda

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the strategic Dhamra Port is fast coming up on the East Coast next to major Paradip port;
- (b) whether a major Petroleum Chemicals and Petrochemicals Investment Region is also being developed at Paradip.
- (c) if so, whether the Government is considering the connectivity of these ports by constructing a broad 2-laned direct road link between these two strategic ports;
- (d) if so, the time-frame by which the project is likely to be completed; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING(SHRI MUKUL ROY)

- (a): Yes, Madam.
- (b): Yes, Madam.
- (c): There is no such proposal.However, all ports are connected to the National Highway Grid.
- (d): Does not arise.
- (e): Direct linking is not proposed at present since, both the ports are connected to the National Highway Grid.