

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA**

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CAPTIVE CARGO HANDLING BERTHS
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up captive cargo handling berths at major ports through Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, and the reasons therefor, port-wise;
- (c) the extent to which this move is likely to attract private investment in port sector;
- (d) whether the Government has provided financial assistance to the Port Trusts to speed up smaller projects to enhance the port capacity; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING (SHRI G.K. VASAN)

(a) to (c): The Policy for captive use of Major Ports is at present under consideration in the Ministry under a Committee constituted for recommending various steps for increasing the efficiency of the ports and for encouraging the private enterprise to take part in the functioning of the ports. With the aforesaid objectives in mind, the Committee is also looking in to the subject of recommending guidelines for creation of captive use facility by port based industries within the Major Ports. The proposed policy is likely to bring in private investment in port sector.

(d) & (e): Gross Budgetary Support for dredging has been allocated to Cochin Port Trust and Tuticorin Port Trust for 2009-10, details of which are as under:-

(i) Cochin Port Trust : Rs.99.97 crores.

(ii) Tuticorin Port Trust : Rs.5.00 crores.