

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SHIPPING  
LOK SABHA**

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NEW SHIPYARDS  
Biju Shri P. K.

**Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal for setting up new shipyards in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the nodal agencies appointed for the same and the steps taken by the nodal agencies for identifying the locations and appointing consultants, if any, for the above;
- (c) the details of the parameters considered for final selection of the location for setting up the proposed shipyards;
- (d) whether the Government has also proposed to enhance the capacity of shipping yards in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the expected plan estimate?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI G.K. VASAN)

(a) to (c): The National Maritime Development Programme envisaged setting up of two International size shipyards, one each on the East Coast and West Coast of India. Maritime States were also requested to identify suitable locations for this purpose.

In the meantime, private investors have already gone ahead with creation of new international size shipyards namely Pipavav Shipyard on the West Coast and Shipyard of M/s Larsen & Toubro on the East Coast. Hence, it has been decided that Government may act as facilitator and setting up of international size shipyards by the Government may not be pursued.

Further, the Cabinet in its meeting held on 22nd December, 2009 considered the proposal of the Ministry of Shipping for transfer of Hindustan Shipyard Limited (HSL), Visakhapatnam to Ministry of Defence and gave 'in principle' approval for setting up of a new shipyard of international standard on Public-Private Partnership mode as a joint venture under Ministry of Shipping for which Shipping Corporation of India has been asked to conduct feasibility study.

(d) & (e): As per the Maritime Agenda, the share of India in the global shipbuilding industry is targeted to reach 5% by 2020 from the present level of 1% for which additional shipbuilding capacity needs to be created. The Government owned Cochin Shipyard Limited is planning to expand its capacity and formulating a business plan for this purpose. The Government of India has also requested the Maritime States to identify and provide land for setting up a new major port or a new shipbuilding yard or a composite project incorporating both.