

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA**

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DECREASING DEPTH IN KOLKATA PORT
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a specialist committee has been constituted to find out the cause of the decreasing depth in Kolkata port;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the committee has found that the sunken ships and other water vehicles are one of the causes of decreasing depth and silting;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken to clear all those sunken ships from the river bed to save the Kolkata port?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): A Committee is being constituted to find out the causes of decreasing depth in Kolkata Port and to come out with alternatives.
- (c) to (e): Do not arise.