

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SHIPPING  
LOK SABHA**

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DEVELOPMENT OF PORTS  
Annayagari Shri Sai Prathap;Panda Shri Prabodh

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

- (a) whether developing ports is one of the main pillars of infrastructural development of the country's economy;
- (b) if so, the total number of ports developed in the country during the last ten years, State-wise;
- (c) whether on view of the increasing trade the Government is considering to develop more ports in the country including West Bengal and Andhra Pradesh;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the budgetary allocation made thereof particularly for the State of Andhra Pradesh during the last three years; and
- (e) the details of harbour identified for renovation and development?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF SHIPPING (SHRI G.K.VASAN)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): India's ports comprise 12 major ports and about 200 non-major ports along the coast and Islands. The 12 major ports are administered by the Central Government. Ennore Port was inaugurated on 1.2.2001, after which no new Major Port has been commissioned. The remaining ports, referred to as Non-Major Ports, are administered by the respective Maritime States and Union Territories.

(c) & (d): Yes, Madam. Proposals have been received in respect of new Major Port locations in the State of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala and Gujarat. No final decision has been taken in this regard so far.

(e): Government of India has taken various initiatives for the development of Major Ports on Public Private Partnership (PPP) basis. In the year 2009-10, 2010-11 and 2011-12, 13, 9 and 3 projects respectively were awarded for development of the ports. Besides, 13 projects were also awarded under National Maritime Development Programme at various Major Ports in the country. Non-Major Ports are developing under the jurisdiction of the respective State Governments.