

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA**

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OFFSHORE CONTAINER TERMINAL
Jakhar Shri Badri Ram

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any delay in the construction of offshore container terminal projects;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to start the construction work at the earliest;
- (d) whether adequate attention is being paid by the Government to ensure quality in the construction work; and
- (e) if so, the time by which the construction work is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING (SHRI G.K. VASAN)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. There is some delay in construction of Offshore Container Terminal in Mumbai Port due to delays by the Build, Operate and Transfer (BOT) Operator, Dredging Contractor and the Mumbai Port Trust. As per the License Agreement signed between Mumbai Port and M/s Indira Container Terminal Pvt. Ltd., the date of commissioning of the berth was 02.12.2010, which has now been rescheduled to December, 2012.

(c) & (d): Both the Ministry and Mumbai Port Trust are monitoring the progress of work. Mumbai Port Trust has appointed an Independent Engineer for approval of Designs, quality control and monitoring progress of the BOT operator. A Project Management Consultant has also been appointed for preparation of estimates, tenders and supervision of works for Mumbai Port component.

(e): The work is likely to be completed by December, 2012.