

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SHIPPING  
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether the Government has released the maritime Agenda for 2010-2020 with an eye on increasing India's share in global ship building to five per cent;
- (b) if so, the details and salient features of the Agenda; and
- (c) the names of major ports to be developed during the said period?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF SHIPPING (SHRI G.K. VASAN)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The Maritime Agenda aims to navigate and steer the Indian maritime sector realistically into the premier maritime nations of the world. The Agenda acknowledges that the Indian maritime sector needs simultaneous multiple interventions to achieve certain goals which are concomitant with the economic growth of the country. The main features of the Agenda are as follows:

- (i) Create Port capacity of 3200 MT by 2020 for handling about 2500 MT of cargo.
  - (ii) Improve Port performance on par with the best in the world.
  - (iii) Increase tonnage under the Indian flag as well as under Indian control.
  - (iv) Increase coastal shipping and facilitate hassle-free multimodal transport.
  - (v) Increase India's share in global ship building to 5%.
  - (vi) Promote use of the inland waterways for cargo movement.
  - (vii) Increase the strength of Indian seafarers to 9% of the global strength by 2015 and sustain above this level.
- (c): The Maritime agenda contains schemes for the development of all major ports in the country.