GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SHIPPING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1415 ANSWERED ON:03.12.2012 INTEGRATED SHIPYARDS-CUM-PORTS Rathwa Shri Ramsinhbhai Patalbhai

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has asked the coastal States in the country to set up integrated shipyards-cum-ports to reduce high traffic at major ports in the country;
- (b) if so, the response of the coastal States in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government has sent a Central team to the coastal States to identify/select locations for the same; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING (SHRI G.K. VASAN)

- (a): The Government had written to the Coastal States to identify and provide requisite land for setting up a new Major Port or Shipyard or a Composite Port cum Shipbuilding yard in their respective States.
- (b): Responses have been received from the states of Andhra Pradesh, West Bengal, Kerala, Karnataka and Gujarat expressing their willingness to support establishment of a new Major Port in their State.
- (c) & (d): Technical Committees have already been sent to Andhra Pradesh, Kerala and Karnataka to evaluate the locations suggested by the respective State Governments. In case of the proposed Port in Sagar Island in West Bengal, M/s. RITES has completed the feasibility report. In the case of Gujarat, it has been decided to constitute a technical committee including the Vice Chairman and CEO of Gujarat Maritime Board to evaluate the location suggested by the State Government for establishing a new Major Port.