

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA**

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INVESTMENT IN PORT PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government of Sri Lanka is keen in investing in Indian port projects;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the existing policy allow 100% Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in the Port Sector; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING (SHRI G.K. VASAN)

- (a) & (b): The Government of Sri Lanka has not approached the Government of India indicating interest in investing in Port Projects in India.
- (c): 100% Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) is permitted for construction and maintenance of ports and harbours.
- (d): The Government has been encouraging private sector participation in port development since 1996 mainly on Build, Operate and Transfer (BOT) basis with revenue sharing mechanism to augment and upgrade the capacity at Indian Ports.