

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:95
ANSWERED ON:04.03.2013
DEVELOPMENT OF PORTS
Dubey Shri Nishikant

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government has prepared a scheme to offer assistance to the State Maritime Boards for creation of infrastructure for development of ports, inland waterways and coastal shipping;
- (b) if so, the salient feature of the scheme; and
- (c) the details of the central financial support likely to be provided for such projects?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING (SHRI G.K. VASAN)

- (a) to (c) A statement is laid on the table of the house.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 95 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF PORTS BY SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY DUE FOR ANSWER ON 4.3.2013.

- (a) to (c): There is an existing scheme under which assistance is provided to Maritime States/UTs for purposes of preparing feasibility report, environment impact assessment studies, hydrographical and other technical surveys, preparation of bid documents and similar purposes relating to development of ports. Under this scheme, share of Central Government is restricted to 50% of expenditure incurred by Maritime States/UTs, subject to an annual ceiling of Rs. 20 lakhs. Similarly, there is a Central sector scheme for the development of Inland Water Transport in the North Eastern States under which 100% grant is provided for projects sanctioned under the scheme.