

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA**

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NEW PORTS ALONG THE COASTLINE
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has undertaken any study to determine the demand and availability of port facilities in the coastal States in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;
- (c) whether the Government has also proposed to develop new major and minor ports along India's coastline;
- (d) if so, the details and the current status thereof, State-wise;
- (e) whether there is any proposal to develop some of these ports with private participation under the Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof along with the names of the ports being considered for development under the PPP mode?

Answer

MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI G. K. VASAN)

- (a) & (b): The Ministry of Shipping has formulated a Perspective Plan for development of the Maritime Sector, namely, "Maritime Agenda 2010-2020". This plan has estimated the traffic projections and capacity additions of the Ports upto the year 2020.
- (c) & (d): Yes, Madam. This Ministry has decided to take steps for setting up of a new Major Port each in Andhra Pradesh and West Bengal. As regards West Bengal, Kolkata Port Trust had appointed M/s. RITES Ltd as consultant to prepare feasibility report for a new port at Sagar Island. In case of the proposed major port in Andhra Pradesh, the feasibility study has not been commissioned. Development of minor ports comes under the purview of Maritime State Governments.
- (e) & (f): The modality of implementation of the new major ports has not been finalised. However, most of the new berths /terminals at existing major ports are being taken up under the PPP mode.