

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SHIPPING  
LOK SABHA**

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RESTRUCTURING OF PORT TRUSTS

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

(a) the status of the ongoing projects under the National Maritime Development Programme (NMDP) for development of major ports, which are overloaded;

(b) whether the Government proposes to restructure the Port Trusts to make them more professional and management savvy; and

(c): if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF SHIPPING (SHRI G.K. VASAN)

(a): (1). The overall status of NMDP projects for the periods up to 31.10.2009 is as follows:-

Project completed    47 amounting to Rs.5495.78 crores

Work-in progress    71 amounting to Rs.16487.95 crores

Approved but work yet to be awarded 15 amounting to Rs.2595.15 crores

Firmed up and under process for approval    33 amounting to Rs.12268.37 crores

Under preliminary planning stage 88 amounting to Rs.22684.20 crores

Dropped    21 amounting to Rs.3121.14crores.

(2). Capacity of the Ports viz-a-viz the traffic handled by them is given at Annexure-I, according to which the traffic is more than the capacity in only four ports i.e. Visakhapatnam, Chennai, Mormugao and Mumbai.

(b) & (c) : There is no proposal for restructuring the Major Ports. However, a bill introduced in the 13th Lok Sabha for corporatisation of the Major Ports lapsed as the 13th Lok Sabha was dissolved. The final decision in the matter would depend upon the evaluation of the performance of Ennore Port Limited which is the only corporatised Port under the Ministry.