

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SHIPPING  
LOK SABHA**

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BOAT BUILDING INDUSTRY  
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**Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the boat building industry in the country is dormant particularly Lakshadweep Islands due to shortage of fund;
- (b) if so, whether any incentives are being given to the people of Lakshadweep to pursue boat building activities;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF SHIPPING ( SHRI G. K. VASAN )

(a) to (d):The boat building industry in Lakshadweep Islands is not dormant due to shortage of funds. As reported by Union Territory of Lakshadweep Administration (UTLA). boat building has been taken over by the people in Lakshadweep Islands and the quantum of work in the Government boat building yard is less. However, UTLA provides financial assistance for boat building. For multi day fishing vessels, 50% of the construction cost limiting to Rs.25 lakh is provided to each beneficiary. Similarly, for Lakshadweep type pole and fishing boats, 40% on hull and 50% on engine, upto a maximum of Rs.10 lakh, is reimbursed under the existing schemes.