

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF NEW MAJOR PORTS

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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up new major ports in the country including Chennai in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, location-wise;
- (c) the time by which the said projects are likely to be completed; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government for the speedy execution of such projects?

Answer

MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI G. K. VASAN)

(a)&(b):Yes, Madam. The Government has decided to set up two new major ports, one each at Sagar in West Bengal and Dugarajapatnam in Nellore district of Andhra Pradesh. No proposal is pending for setting up a new Major Port at Chennai in Tamil Nadu.

(c)&(d):As per the feasibility report prepared by M/s RITES the date of completion of the Phase-I of the Project at Dugarajapatnam is 2018 and for Sagar, it is 2019-20. Subsequent to the approval received from the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) on 09.05.2013, following steps have been taken for the speedy execution of the projects:-

- i) Empowered Committee of Secretaries, to resolve implementation related matters has been constituted.
- ii) Port Limits for the Port at Dugarajapatnam has been notified.
- iii) Techno-economic feasibility study has been conducted by M/s RITES for the project at Dugarajapatnam.
- iv) Transaction Advisor for Sagar Port has been appointed and for Dugarajapatnam has been identified.
- v) Application for land acquisition has been made and the process for obtaining environmental clearance for Dugarajapatnam has been initiated.