

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA**

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SEA WAY BETWEEN MANGALORE AND MUMBAI
Hegde Shri. K. Jayaprakash

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the traffic between Mangalore and Mumbai is increasing every day;
- (b) whether it is also true that both train and road transport are unable to meet the traffic demands;
- (c) if so, whether the Government proposes or has any proposal to introduce a Sea-way between Mangalore-Mumbai to ease the traffic of the said route;
- (d) if so, whether the Government has conducted any study in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

(MINISTER OF SHIPPING) (SHRI G.K. VASAN)

- (a) No, Madam.
- (b) The Ministry of Shipping has not come across any such issue of rail and road transport being unable to meet the demand in cargo-traffic between Mangalore and Mumbai.
- (c) Coastal shipping vessels are already operating between Mangalore and Mumbai ports.
- (d)&(e) The Government has not conducted any study to introduce a sea-way between Mangalore-Mumbai as there was no necessity for the same.