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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the practice of manual stamping at each point for moving containers has led to delays in cargo evacuation;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has any plan to go paperless to overcome this problem;
- (c) the percentage of transaction costs that will come down as a result thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is in the process of upgrading software of the existing port system to achieve seamless connectivity between different points; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken by the Government to extend this plan to all the other major ports to boost Indian exports?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a). No, Madam. The container gate transaction at major ports is online and there is no delay in cargo evacuation.

(b)&(c): Not applicable.

(d)&(e): Yes, Madam. Each port is upgrading their existing Port software for implementation of Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system. The Ports of vizag, VOC, Tuticorin, New Mangalore Port Trust and Mormugao has already implemented ERP system and rest of the ports are in the process of imple- mentation. To achieve seamless connectivity between different points, a Port Community System (PCS), has been implemented in major ports.