

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SHIPPING  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3898

ANSWERED ON:19.03.2015

INFRASTRUCTURE VIS- A- VIS CARGO AT PORTS

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

- (a) whether the Government has reviewed the performance of major ports in the country; and if so, the details of cargo handled during the last three years and the targets fixed for the next three years; port-wise especially for Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust;
- (b) whether the massive congestion in port terminals particularly at JNPT has been reported to be affecting ports in terms of fuel, man-days, resources, etc. and if so, the details thereof along with the loss suffered as a result of congestion;
- (c) the details of steps taken by the Government to overhaul the port infrastructure;
- (d) whether the R.R. Shah Committee has recommended minimum four-lane road connectivity and double-line rail connectivity with major ports as an integral part of port infrastructure in the country and if so, the action taken by the Government or proposes to take in this regard; and
- (e) the present status of road and rail connectivity with Mangalore Port in Karnataka?

**Answer**

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

(a) Yes, Madam. Government reviews the performance of major ports regularly. The details of cargo handled during last three-years at various major ports, including JNPT, are enclosed at Annexure-I. Cargo handling targets are fixed annually. Targets fixed for 2015-16 for various major ports are enclosed at Annexure-II.

(b)&(c):In the past, there has been significant congestion at Port Terminals including those at JNPT. However, the Major Ports have taken a number of measures such as, deepening of channel and berths to handle larger vessels, mechanisation, widening of roads, improving rail/road connectivity for speedy evacuation and simplification of procedures. As a result of these measures, the average capacity utilization in major ports has come down to 70% which is the global norm.

(d) Yes, Madam. The Committee of Secretaries headed by Shri R. R. Shah which was set up in the year 2006 for giving recommendations on Rail/Road connectivity to Major Ports had recommended that each Major Port should have four lane road connectivity and double line rail connectivity. Based on the report, National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has been taking up Road projects through special purpose vehicles (SPVs)/Companies of NHAI. Major Ports are also joining hands with Railways and NHAI by forming SPVs for construction of Rail and Road links.

(e) In so far as, New Mangalore Port is concerned, the work on Road connectivity for 4 laning of NH-66 (Surathkal – Nantur Section), Nantur to Padil (By Pass) along NH-169 and Padil to B C Road along NH-73 (Padil Bantwal Section) with 37 kms. length has been completed during December, 2012. Similarly, the work on Rail connectivity for gauge conversion of Aresikere-Hassan-Mangalore Rail link with 183 kms. length has been completed and commissioned during May, 2006.

**ANNEXURE-I**

Annexure referred to in the reply given in Part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3898 for answer on 19.03.2015 Cargo handled at various major ports during last three-years

S.No.	Port	Cargo Handled (in 000 tonnes)		
		2011-12	2012-13	2013-14

1	Kolkata Port	43248	39928	41385
2	Paradip Port	54254	56552	68003
3	Visakhapatnam Port	67420	59040	58503
4	Kamarajar (Ennore) Port Limited	14956	17885	27337
5	Chennai Port	55707	53404	51105
6	V O Chidambaranar Port	28105	28260	28642
7	Cochin Port	20091	19845	20887

8 New Mangalore Port 32941 37036 39365  
9 Mormugao Port 39001 17693 11739  
10 Mumbai Port 56186 58038 59184  
11 Jawaharlal Nehru Port 65727 64490 62333  
12 Kandla Port 82501 93619 87004  
560137 545790 555487

ANNEXURE-II

Annexure referred to in the reply given in Part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3898 for answer on 19.03.2015

Cargo Targets fixed for various major ports for the year 2015-16

S.No. Port Target fixed for 2015-16  
(in 000 Tonnes)

1 Kolkata Port 54630  
2 Paradip Port 78200  
3 Visakhapatnam Port 77050  
4 Kamarajar (Ennore) Port Limited 32200  
5 Chennai Port 63250  
6 V O Chidambaranar Port 36800  
7 Cochin Port 27140  
8 New Mangalore Port 48300  
9 Mormugao Port 15350  
10 Mumbai Port 72450  
11 Jawaharlal Nehru Port 74750  
12 Kandla Port 115000  
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