

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4103

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Manufacturing of Containers

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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) the capacity utilisation of ports in the country with regard to container volume during each of the last three years and the current year, port-wise;
- (b) the details of shipping containers imported in the country along with the expenditure incurred thereon during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to manufacture shipping containers domestically as part of the "Make in India" campaign and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government also proposes to establish trans-shipment hubs along the coastlines in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) The capacity utilisation of Major Ports in respect of container cargo during last three years and the current year is enclosed at Annexure.
- (b) Shipping containers (empties) are imported by respective shipping lines which are private agencies.
- (c) No, Madam.
- (d)&(e):Ministry of Shipping has engaged a consultant to conduct a study on the factors and conditions that should be put in place (including port and vessel related charges, maintenance of draft, simplification of customs procedures etc.) for developing transshipment hubs in the country. The study report has been received and necessary follow up action has been initiated on the recommendations of the Consultant.

ANNEXURE referred to in the Reply Given in Part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4103 for answer on 13.08.2015.
Capacity Utilisation of Major Ports in respect of Container handling during last three years and the current year, port-wise

Port Capacity Utilization in respect of container handled

(in percentage)

2012-13 2013-14 2014-15 2015-16

(upto July 2015)

Kolkata Port Trust 99.27 93.87 72.63 70.56

Visakhapatnam Port Trust 62.66 62.65

Chennai Port Trust 70.70 67.50 70.50 73.70

V. O. Chidambaranar Port Trust 114 122 134 85

Cochin Port Trust 36.86 38.28 41.97 14.48

New Mangalore Port Trust 49.29 53.57 65.71 28.57

Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust 103.90 99.05 106.42 100.66
