Title: Need to withdraw move for disinvestment of Cochin Shipyard Limited in Kerala - Laid.

SHRI GEOGRE EDEN (ERNAKULAM): Cochin Shipyard is one of the premier Ship building industry in the country. It is a Central Government venture. It is situated near to the International Maritime in the west coast of main land. This shipyard is one of the major investment of the Union Government to the State of Kerala. The Shipyard has the capabilities to manufacture all types of ships including aircraft carriers for the Armed Forces. This yard has all the facilities and best known technocrats are rendering their service here. But it is a fact that the Shipping Corporation of India is not giving any order for ship building or maintenance. At present only maintenance work of few ships is being done in this yard. Even though this shipyard is a profit making unit of Central Government.

Now, this Shipyard has also been listed for disinvestment and this decision is against the will of the people and interest of the State, hence I strongly protest this move by the Union Government.

I request the Government to kindly drop the idea of disinvestment of Cochin Shipyard and instruct the Shipping Corporation to give its order to the Cochin Shipyard.