

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SHIPPING
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 954
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27th JUNE, 2019

DEVELOPMENT OF PORTS AND INLAND WATERWAYS

954. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:
SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN VAJESINGBHAI:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether the Government proposes to develop many new and small ports and inland waterways for commercial shipping transportation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the investments to be made in the development of such ports and waterways;
- (c) the measures taken by the Government to develop inland waterways with specific reference to Bihar especially Saran district;
- (d) whether there has been an increase in traffic at non-major ports in the country during the last three years and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether some ports are handling cargo above their capacities and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the further measures taken/ to be taken to ease traffic congestion at ports?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR SHIPPING
(SHRI MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

- (a) & (b) Major ports are administered by the Central Government while Non-major ports are under the jurisdiction of respective State Maritime Boards/State Government. The installed capacity of major ports is considered to be sufficient to handle their cargo. Therefore, Government has no proposal for setting up new small major port, at present.

111 inland waterways (including existing 5 National Waterways) have been declared as 'National Waterways' (NWs) under the National Waterways Act, 2016 with the purpose of creating a network of national waterways to optimize the full potential of waterways mode of transport. Development of the NWs for shipping and navigation which includes construction/ development of jetties, navigational aids, fairway etc. has been taken up in a phased manner. A budgetary allocation of Rs. 614.56 crore has been made in 2019-20 for development of waterways.

- (c) About 400 km stretch of NW-1 (River Ganga) passes through Bihar (from Manihari to Buxar). Under the Jal Marg Vikas Project (JMVP) various developmental activities for capacity augmentation of NW-1 have been taken up including setting up of an intermodal terminal at Kalughat in Saran district in Bihar to facilitate cargo movement on NW-1 to Northern Bihar as well as Nepal. The land acquisition process for the Kalughat intermodal terminal has been initiated with the Government of Bihar.
- (d) The details of the traffic handled at Non-Major ports in the country during the last three years is at **Annex-I**.
- (e) No, Sir. The details of capacity utilization at Major Ports and Non-Major Ports (State wise) during 2018-19 is at **Annex-I**.
- (f) The installed capacity of the Major Ports as on 31.03.2019 is 1514.09 MTPA which is sufficient to handle the existing cargo traffic at the Major Ports. The traffic handled by the Major Ports during 2018-19 was 699.05 MT.

Expansion and modernization of Major Ports in the country is an on-going process to keep the ports abreast with new technologies and also to meet trade (traffic) requirements. The process inter-alia involves construction of new berths and terminals, mechanization of existing berths and terminals, capital dredging for deepening of drafts for attracting large vessels in port channels, development of road and rail connectivity etc.

Traffic handled at Non-Major Ports during 2015-16 to 2018-19 and Capacity utilization at Major Ports and Non-Major Ports (State-wise) during 2018-19

Traffic at Non-Major Ports during 2015-16 to 2018-19			
Sl. No.	Year	Traffic (in million tonnes)	% increase
1	2015-16	465.871	
2	2016-17	485.214	4.2
3	2017-18	529.089	9.0
4	2018-19*	578.503	9.3

Source: State Maritime Board/ Directorate of Ports

Capacity Utilization at Major Ports during 2018-19				
(Million Tonnes)				
Sl. No.	Name of Ports	Capacity	Traffic*	Capacity Utilization(%)
1	Kolkata Ports of Trust	82.570	63.760	77.2
2	Paradip Port Trust	239.000	109.275	45.7
3	Visakhapatnam Port Trust	131.090	65.301	49.8
4	Kamarajar Ports Limited	91.000	34.497	37.9
5	Chennai Port Trust	134.000	53.012	39.6
6	V. O. Chidambaranar Port Trust	111.460	34.341	30.8
7	Cochin Port Trust	78.600	32.022	40.7
8	New Mangalore Port Trust	98.000	42.510	43.4
9	Mormugao Port Trust	63.400	17.683	27.9
10	Mumbai Port Trust	79.000	60.588	76.7
11	Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust	138.870	70.706	50.9
12	Deendayal Port Trust	267.100	115.402	43.2
	Total	1514.090	699.097	46.2

Source: Development Wing of M/o Shipping for Capacity and Major Ports for Traffic

Capacity Utilization at Non-Major Ports (State-wise) during 2018-19				
(Million Tonnes)				
Sl. No.	Name of Ports	Capacity	Traffic*	Capacity Utilization
1	Gujarat	542.000	396.885	73.2
2	Maharashtra	102.400	44.427	43.4
3	Tamil Nadu	2.150	0.959	44.6
4	Goa	0.020	0.015	75.0
5	Kerala	0.550	0.204	37.1
6	Karnataka	17.800	0.722	4.1
7	Andhra Pradesh	178.000	105.626	59.3
8	Odisha	47.500	19.305	40.6
9	Puducherry	16.900	8.439	49.9
10	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	3.000	1.921	64.0
	Total	910.320	578.503	63.5

Source: State Maritime Board/ Directorate of Ports

* Provisional