

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SHIPPING
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 879
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21ST NOVEMBER, 2019

PORT CAPACITY

879. SHRIMATI RITA BAHUGUNA JOSHI:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state :

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- (a) whether the Government has devised a roadmap for expansion of port capacity for suitably meeting the ever increasing trade requirements;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the major infrastructure development projects being undertaken by the Government; and
- (d) the timelines fixed for the completion of the said development projects?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. Infrastructure development and capacity augmentation of Major Ports is an ongoing process involving construction of new berths and terminals, mechanization of existing berths and terminals, capital dredging for deepening of drafts for attracting large vessels, development of road and rail connectivity etc. As a result, the cargo handling capacity of the Major Ports as on 31.3.2019 is 1514.09 Million Tonnes Per Annum (MTPA) which is adequate to handle the EXIM and Coastal cargo. The traffic handled by Major Ports during 2018-19 was 699.10 Million Tonnes (MT).

(c) & (d) A number of projects with total project cost of Rs. 13308.41 Cr. have been awarded in the last three years on upgradation of the Major Ports. The projects, once awarded, are executed as per the relevant contractual timelines. These projects are monitored regularly at various levels in the concerned ports as well as in the Ministry to ensure timely completion. Major Ports submit monthly status report on projects to be awarded and projects to be completed to the Ministry, which is reviewed regularly. The details of the infrastructure development projects awarded during the last three years are as below:

F.Y.	No. of Projects	Expenditure/ Investment (Rupees in crores)	Capacity (In MTPA)
2016-17	54	8484.47	92.09
2017-18	25	2659.73	21.93
2018-19	25	2164.21	10.73
Total	104	13308.41	124.75
