

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1876
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22ND SEPTEMBER, 2020

MARITIME COLLEGES/INSTITUTIONS

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SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether only few maritime colleges/institutions are functioning in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the number of such colleges, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the total number of students who have graduated from these colleges/institutions and the number of those who have got placement during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (d) whether there is less employment opportunities in the maritime sector and if so, the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;
- (e) whether the Government has identified maritime clusters in the country to boost economic development along the coastlines and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the time by which these maritime clusters are likely to be developed?

ANSWER

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

- (a) The Directorate General of Shipping, Mumbai has approved 153 Maritime Training Institutes. Out of 153 only 55 colleges are providing Virtual Classes during COVID-19 Pandemic.

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(b) List of functioning Maritime Training Institutes State/UT- wise:

Sr. No.	State/UT	Number of Institute
01	Andhra Pradesh	02
02	Bihar	01
03	Uttarakhand	01
04	Delhi	06
05	Haryana	03
06	Kerala	02
07	Maharashtra	19
08	Tamil Nadu	11
09	Uttar Pradesh	05
10	West Bengal	05
Total		55

(c) During the last three years, the total number of students who have graduated from Maritime Training Institutions are 32,029 and number of Ship Board Training provided to students in last three years is 19,204.

Details of Candidates passed and Ship Board Training during last three years is as follows:

Year	Total No. of candidate passed	Total No. of Ship Board Training
2017	11155	8515
2018	10928	7154
2019	9946	3535

(d) The employment details in the maritime sector for last three years are given below, which show an increasing trend in the employment opportunities in the maritime sector :

Year	Total No. of seafarers engaged	Growth %
2017	1,54,349	7.23
2018	2,08,799	35.27
2019	2,34,886	12.49

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Following are some of the initiatives taken towards constant enhancement in the employment opportunities in the maritime sector:-

- The training curriculum for the officers and the ratings was revised in 2016, not only to meet the global standards but also to meet the expectations of the foreign employers.
- The Govt. has also brought major regulatory relaxation for obtaining Indian Continuous Discharge Certificate (CDC), which is a pre-requisite for boarding a vessel for the purposes of employment. A new liberalized CDC regime was introduced in 2017 which allowed 10th Pass Indian citizens who had completed a 14 day basic maritime course to obtain Indian CDC. Earlier, they were required to complete at least 6 months training for obtaining CDC. Further, based on the previous experience onboard cruise vessels, condition of passing of 10th standard has been removed. This has enabled many seafarers having past experience in cruise ships to obtain Indian CDC.
- A policy shift was made by the regulator by holding the training institutes responsible for on-board ship training of the students. Further, to release more on-board ship training slots, a decision was taken to allow on-board training of officers and ratings on tugs and offshore vessels also. These two initiatives have opened additional berths for nearly 4000 trainees.
- Since employment of Indian seafarers is well regulated and their welfare is well protected through Rules and Regulations framed under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958, in consonance with the Maritime Labour convention, 2006 as amended, more and more foreign shipowners are engaging Indian seafarers on board their ships.
- Promulgation of new simplified Continuous Discharge Certificate (CDC) Rules in 2017 and making the process of issuance of CDC paperless/online has facilitated an increase in the number of Indian seafarers.

(e & f) Yes Sir, two maritime clusters have been identified, one in Gujarat and another in Goa. The DPR of Shipbuilding Park at Bhavnagar has been prepared by Gujarat Maritime Board as part of maritime cluster development in Gujarat. An industrial plot has been allotted and a Special Purpose Vehicle has been formed for development and operation of the Goa Maritime Cluster.
