

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS  
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5049  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2021

**NEW SHIP MANUFACTURING UNITS**

5049. PROF. SAUGATA RAY:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up new ship manufacturing units in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to train the youngsters for the production of big vessels under Atmarnirbhar Bharat; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS  
(SHRI MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

(a) & (b) Cochin Shipyard Limited, a public sector shipyard under the administrative control of Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, through its wholly owned subsidiary 'Hooghly Cochin Shipyard Limited (HCSL)' is currently setting up a modern shipbuilding facility at Nazirgunge, West Bengal at an estimated project cost of Rs. 169.76 crore. The facility is expected to be operationalized in the first quarter of the financial year 2021-22. HCSL targets to construct various types of vessels like Ro-Ro Vessels, River-Sea Cargo Vessels for bulk, liquids, containers, Passenger Vessels, other watercrafts for the inland waterways.

(c) & (d) Cochin Shipyard Limited has commissioned a new Marine Engineering Training Institute viz. "Vigyana Sagar" which was dedicated to the nation by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India Shri Narendra Modi on February 14, 2021. "Vigyana Sagar" is a new campus outside CSL factory premises with ultra-modern class rooms and accommodation facilities. The campus will enhance the scope of Marine Engineering Training to a higher level in line with the standards stipulated by the Directorate General of Shipping, Government of India and will also host associated skill development courses related to ship building and ship repair to equip the students to respond to the ever increasing needs of the country and contribute to the maritime sector.

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