

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1657  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2021

**DEVELOPMENT OF SATELLITE PORTS**

1657. SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:  
SHRI NISITH PRAMANIK:  
DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:  
DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:  
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:  
SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEO:  
SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:

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

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- (a) whether the Government is planning any action plan for future including development of satellite ports by all major ports;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is exploring new vistas of urban transportation and implementation of SAROD-Ports (Society for Affordable Redressal of Disputes-Ports);
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has supplied a consignment of two mobile harbour cranes to Iran's Chabahar port;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) the other steps being proposed by the Government in this regard so far?

**ANSWER**

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

(a)&(b) In order to maintain supremacy in EXIM trade and to further avoid decongestion in major ports, they have been advised to explore the possibility for developing Satellite /Sister Ports in their vicinity.

(c)&(d) So far as new vistas of urban transportation is concerned, the Government has identified new water routes for urban transport in consultation with concerned State Governments. Recently, Ro-Pax ferry service has been started between Hazira- Ghogha in Gujarat. As regards SAROD-Ports (Society for Affordable Redressal of Disputes-Ports), it has already been formed and the society has been registered on 30/01/2020.

(e)to(g) Yes, the Government of India has successfully supplied a consignment of two Mobile Harbour Cranes (MHC) of 140 M. ton capacity to Chabahar Port, Iran. Government of India is committed to equip the Chabahar Port at the total cost of US\$85 million to make it fully operational.

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