

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2685

TO BE ANSWERED ON 19TH MARCH, 2018

DEVELOPMENT OF RAMAYAPATNAM PORT

2685. SHRI T.G. VENKATESH:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has sought alternate proposals for development of sea port in place of Duggarajapatnam, as the taskforce has rejected development of sea port thereat on the grounds of non-feasibility;
- (b) whether Government of Andhra Pradesh has alternatively proposed Ramayapatnam for development of sea port in place of Duggarajapatnam; and
- (c) present status of the proposal and the action taken by Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING
(SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b)&(c):No, Sir. The project development of a new Major Port at Duggarajapatnam in Andhra Pradesh, which is included in Schedule XIII of the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014, was examined by NITI Aayog, Ministry of Shipping, Ministry of Finance and Government of Andhra Pradesh and it has been concluded that the project will not be viable due to strong competition from nearby ports of Krishnapatnam, Ennore and Chennai. Ministry of Shipping has requested Government of Andhra Pradesh to furnish their comments on the recommendations of NITI Aayog and also to suggest alternative site(s) for development of a Major Port in the State of Andhra Pradesh. Govt. of Andhra Pradesh has not suggested any alternative site so far.
