GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SHIPPING RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 770 ANSWERED ON 17.12.2018

GREEN RECYCLING FOR ALANG UNITS ON GUJARAT COAST

770. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether currently only 72 out of 120 ship breaking units at Alang on Gujarat coast are certified for green recycling standards set by International Hongkong Convention (HKC);
- (b) whether with only 10 to 12 ship breaking yards with HKC certification, there is stiff competition among the ship-breakers for buying vessel, with lesser number of ship-owners looking for green recycling facilities; and
- (c) whether many ship-breakers at Alang are now eyeing for EU Certification, so that all EU flagged ships can be dismantled at Alang?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Out of the total 153 ship breaking yards at Alang-Sosiya in Gujarat, 79 ship breaking yards are HKC certified.
- (b) Yes, Sir. There is stiff competition among the 79 HKC certified yards at Alang-Sosiya for buying vessels.

(c) Yes, Sir.