

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

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EFFORTS TO MAKE INDIA A DEVELOPED NATION BY 2047

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

- (a) the efforts made by the Ministry to achieve the vision to make India a developed Nation by 2047 in the last five years;
- (b) whether the Ministry has formulated any roadmap or action plan to realize the goal of 'Viksit Bharat' by 2047, specifically in the ports, shipping and waterways sectors;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Ministry is evaluating new policies/schemes and legislative proposals based on their potential contribution towards achieving 'Viksit Bharat' by 2047; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

(a) In the last five years, the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways (MoPSW) has made significant efforts to achieve the vision of making India a developed nation by 2047. Key initiatives include establishing new mega ports and developing deep draft ports to handle larger vessels, modernization and digitalization of port operations for improving efficiency, terminal and fairway infrastructure development to enhance cargo and passenger movement through Inland Waterways, green initiatives including the "HaritSagar" Green Port Guidelines, development of green hydrogen/ammonia hubs, Green Tug Transition Programme, Cruise Bharat Mission to double cruise passenger traffic, skill development and support to MSMEs for shipbuilding.

(b) & (c) In order to realize the goal of 'Viksit Bharat' by 2047, the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways has formulated the Maritime India Vision 2030 for the holistic development of India's maritime sector, encompassing ports, shipping, and waterways. Building on this progress, the Ministry has also formulated the AmritKaal Vision 2047, a

comprehensive roadmap for the next 25 years. Maritime India Vision 2030 includes 10 themes like port infrastructure, logistics efficiency, and sustainability. The AmritKaal Vision 2047 expands on this with 11 themes including green initiatives, cruise sector promotion and technological innovation. Over 300 initiatives have been identified to transform India into a leading maritime nation.

(d) & (e) Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways has evaluated policies and schemes based on their potential contribution towards achieving 'Viksit Bharat' by 2047, details of which are given in Annexure.

**Details of policies/schemes and legislative proposals contributing towards achieving
'Viksit Bharat' by 2047.**

- Merchant Shipping Bill: To modernize the regulatory framework governing merchant shipping in the country, promote growth and enhancing compliance with international standards.
- HaritNauka Guidelines for Green transition of Inland Waterways ecosystem.
- A revamped Shipbuilding and Ship Repair Policy to improve domestic capacity.
- Evaluation of a dedicated Maritime Development Fund to cater to the unique and substantial funding requirements of the maritime sector.
- Coastal Shipping Bill: To ease licensing norms in coastal shipping and revitalize the shipping sector by streamlining operations and aligning the sector with global standards.
