

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2859**  
ANSWERED ON 25.03.2025

**NEW PORTS UNDER SAGARMALA PROGRAMME IN TAMIL NADU**

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

- (a) the status of new ports under the Sagarmala Programme in Tamil Nadu, including their expected completion timelines;
- (b) whether Government has any plans to upgrade fishing harbours and establish a marine cluster in the coastal region of Tamil Nadu under the Sagarmala Programme;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the total funds allocated and spent for projects under the Sagarmala Programme in Tamil Nadu so far?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) & (d) Under Port Modernisation pillar of Sagarmala Programme, 41 Projects worth more than Rs 47,000 Cr. have been identified under Sagarmala Programme in the state of Tamil Nadu for enhancing the infrastructure related to port modernization which includes development of new port. Out of these, 25 projects worth Rs. 7938 Cr. are completed.

Under Sagarmala Scheme, Ministry provide financial assistance to State Governments / UTs for Port infrastructure projects, Coastal berth projects, Road & Rail projects, fish harbours, skill development projects, Coastal community development, International standard cruise terminal and unique and innovative projects such as Ro-Pax ferry services etc. Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways under Sagarmala Scheme is partially funding 22 projects worth Rs 1240 Cr in the state of Tamil Nadu. The details of number of projects, funds sanctioned and funds released in the state of Tamil Nadu is annexed. [**Annexure-I**].

(b) & (c) Under Coastal Community Development pillars of Sagarmala Scheme, Ministry has taken up Fishing Harbours and Fish Landing projects in convergence mode of implementation with Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying (MoFAH&D). In the state of Tamil Nadu, Ministry is partially funding 5 projects worth Rs. 508 Cr. The details of projects are annexed. [**Annexure-II**]

## Annexure – I

## List of Projects in the state of Tamil Nadu under Sagarmala Scheme

S.no	Name of Project	Implementing Agency	Status	Project Cost (Rs. Cr.)	Funds Sanctioned (Rs. Cr.)	Funds Released (Rs. Cr.)
1.	Creation of Berthing facilities for tourist vessels at Agni Theertham, Tamil Nadu	Tamil Nadu Maritime Board	Under Implementation	7.58	7.58	1.51
2.	Development and Operation of a full-fledged Truck Parking Terminal adjacent to NH7A opposite to Fisheries college at V. O .Chidambaranar	V. O. Chidambaranar Port Authority	Completed	25.00	10.00	10.00
3.	Coastal berth with dredged depth of 10.0m to handle vessels up to 15000 DWT - length 150m at VoCPT	V. O. Chidambaranar Port Authority	Completed	36.00	30.00	30.00
4.	Coastal Cargo Berth at ChPT	Chennai Port Authority	Completed	80.00	30.00	30.00
5.	Construction of Breakwater both in North and South side of entrance channel- Berth-1- Berth-2 and Capital Dredging at Cuddalore Port - From entrance channel till cargo berths	Tamil Nadu Maritime Board	Completed	135.00	67.50	67.50
6.	Development of paved storage yard at Chennai Port for handling export cargo	Chennai Port Authority	Completed	54.00	25.73	25.73
7.	Construction of Bunker berth at Chennai Port	Chennai Port Authority	Completed	44.00	22.00	22.00
8.	Construction of a fishing harbour at Poompuhar in Nagapattinam District in Tamil Nadu	Fisheries Department, GoTN	Completed	148.00	37.00	37.00
9.	Expansion of fishing harbour at Chinnamuttomin Kanyakumari District in Tamil Nadu	Fisheries Department, GoTN	Completed	74.00	18.38	18.38
10.	Coastal Districts Skill Development Program -	Ministry of Rural	Completed	2.94	2.94	1.47

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	Phase I -Tamil Nadu	Development (DDU-GKY)				
11.	Construction of widening the Korampallam Surplus course bridge and rail over bridge - RoB including widening of road from western boundary to TTPS	V. O. Chidambaranar Port Authority	Completed	42.00	20.00	20.00
12.	Dredging the dock basin for coastal cargo berth at VOCPT -Dredging in front of dedicated coastal berth	V. O. Chidambaranar Port Authority	Completed	98.00	20.88	20.88
13.	National Technology Center for Ports- Waterways and Coasts -New Campus	IIT Chennai	Completed	77.03	39.67	39.67
14.	Coastal Districts Skill Development Program - Phase 2 -Tamil Nadu	Ministry of Rural Development (DDU-GKY)	Under Implementation	10.67	10.67	2.42
15.	Fishing harbor at Mookaiyur in Ramanathapuram district in Tamil Nadu	Fisheries Department, GoTN	Completed	113.90	28.48	28.48
16.	Fishing harbour at Kuthakal, Kunthukul -TN	Fisheries Department, GoTN	Completed	74.00	18.50	16.65
17.	Modern elevated steel bridge for safe transport of tourists from Vivekananda Rock to Thiruvalluvur statue	Tamil Nadu Maritime Board	Completed	31.05	15.53	12.42
18.	Modernisation of Chennai Fishing Harbour Project	Chennai Port Authority	Under Implementation	97.95	48.97	6.98
19.	Creation of additional berthing facilities at VilloondiTheertham, Tamil Nadu	Tamil Nadu Maritime Board	Under Implementation	3.66	3.66	0.73
20.	Development of Buffer Parking yard for Trailers / Trucks at the backup areas of Berth No. 24B(BD-II) in Chennai Port Authority	Chennai Port Authority	Under Implementation	52.85	39.42	37.44
21.	Upgradation of Nagapattinam Port	Tamil Nadu	Under Development	10.47	10.47	0.00

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	Infrastructure for the passenger ferry service from Nagapattinam (India) to Kankesanthurai (Sri Lanka)	Maritime Board	Completed			
<b>22.</b>	Extension of passenger berthing facility at Kanyakumari Port	Tamil Nadu Maritime Board	Under Implementation	20.00	10.00	4.94

**Annexure – II****List of fishing harbour projects in the state of Tamil Nadu under Sagarmala Scheme**

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1.	Construction of a fishing harbour at Poompuhar in Nagapattinam District in Tamil Nadu	Fisheries Department, GoTN	Completed	148.00
2.	Expansion of fishing harbour at Chinnamuttomin Kanyakumari District in Tamil Nadu	Fisheries Department, GoTN	Completed	74.00
3.	Fishing harbor at Mookaiyur in Ramanathapuram district in Tamil Nadu	Fisheries Department, GoTN	Completed	113.90
4.	Fishing harbour at Kuthakal, Kunthukul -TN	Fisheries Department, GoTN	Completed	74.00
5.	Modernisation of Chennai Fishing Harbour Project	Chennai Port Authority	Under Implementation	97.95

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