GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

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DEVELOPMENT OF JETTY TERMINAL AT VELDUR

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

- (a) whether Government is planning to develop a modern jetty terminal in view of theincreasing passenger traffic at Veldur Jetty in Konkan, Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the current status of the project, the proposed budget and estimated timeline; and
- (c) the additional steps being taken by Government to expand passenger amenities at Veldur Jetty and strengthen waterways connectivity?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b) The Maharashtra Maritime Board (MMB) has undertaken the development of a modern jetty terminal at Veldur. The "Construction of Tourism Jetty and Allied Facilities at Veldur in Ratnagiri District" has been completed on 22nd August 2024. The project has been jointly funded by the Government of India (under the Sagarmala initiative) and the Government of Maharashtra @ cost of Rs.7.63 Crore.
- (c) The newly constructed jetty is designed to enhance passenger convenience and includes modern amenities such as waiting areas, restrooms, and designated parking spaces. The jetty is crucial link for water-based transportation between Dabhol and Veldur, thereby strengthening connectivity between the two cross-harbours and improving regional mobility.
