

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

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CHENNAI-VLADIVOSTOK SHIPPING CORRIDOR

954. SHRI M. MOHAMED ABDULLA:

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

- (a) the total funds allocated and utilized for the development of the Chennai-Vladivostok Shipping Corridor;
- (b) the steps taken to ensure that Tamil Nadu's ports, particularly Chennai Port, are equipped to handle increased traffic from the Chennai-Vladivostok Shipping Corridor; and
- (c) the steps being taken to mitigate environmental concerns and ensure sustainable practices in the expansion of the Chennai-Vladivostok Corridor?

ANSWER

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

- (a) An amount of Rs 69,62,000 has been utilized against the feasibility study for the development of the Chennai-Vladivostok Shipping Corridor.
- (b) Around 33 projects are ongoing in Major Ports in Tamil Nadu including Chennai Port with an investment of approx Rs 9241 Cr and 8 projects worth approx Rs 1120 Cr have been completed in FY 2024-25 (till January 2025) to enhance the port capacity which also caters to the requirement of the Chennai-Vladivostok Shipping Corridor.
- (c) "Harit Sagar" Green Port Guidelines has been issued for Major Ports in 2023 which provides a framework for sustainable development of ports. Further, Chennai Port also handles all cargoes in compliance with the relevant provisions of State Pollution Control Board and MoEFCC.
