GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *254 ANSWERED ON 12.08.2025

VACANCIES IN VISAKHAPATNAM PORT TRUST

*254. SHRI GOLLA BABURAO:

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

- (a) whether the total staff strength of Visakhapatnam Port Trust is more than 500;
- (b) if so, the details of staff working on contract basis and on outsourcing basis;
- (c) whether it is a fact that nearly 15 per cent of vacancies in Visakhapatnam Port are lying vacant; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken/proposed to be taken to fill in the vacancies?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *254 ANSWERED ON 12th AUGUST, 2025 RAISED BY SHRI GOLLA BABURAO REGARDING "VACANCIES IN VISAKHAPATNAM PORT TRUST".

- (a) Yes.
- (b) The total staff working on contract basis and on outsourcing basis in Visakhapatnam Port Authority is 371.
- (c) Yes.
- (d) Due to modernization and mechanization over a period of time, the actual requirement of manpower in Major Ports has substantially decreased. The posts at all levels are filled up as per prevalent Recruitment Rules of the post, either by Direct Recruitment or Deputation or Promotion as and when the vacancy arises. Operational and technical posts in Class III and IV are also filled up as per needs & requirement for port operation. Recently, class I vacant posts in Visakhapatnam Port Authority has also been filled up by Direct Recruitment.
