GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1505

TO BE ANSWERED ON 9th MARCH, 2017

RESERVATION FOR DOMESTIC SHIPPING COMPANIES

1505. SHRI SUMAN BALKA:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to give 25 percent reservation to domestic shipping companies in the imports of crude oil, LPG and dry cargo etc.;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor alongwith the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to increase the role of domestic shipping companies in such transportation?

ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

- (a) No, Madam.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) A step taken to increase the role of domestic shipping companies is provision of license to charter a foreign flag vessel by an Indian entity for import of cargo destined to India which is given after ensuring that no Indian vessel is available for such import of cargo.