GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1988 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27th JULY, 2017 CONSTRUCTION OF GREENFIELD PORT

1988. SHRI Y.V. SUBBA REDDY:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that NITI Aayog has finally dropped the idea of constructing a Greenfield Port at Dugarajapatnam in Nellore district of Andhra Pradesh and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the public representatives and people have been demanding to take up Ramayapatnam Port in place of Dugarajapatnam for the purpose; and

(c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto along with the present status thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a)to(c):The decision to set up a Major Port at Dugarajapatnam was based on the commitment given by the erstwhile Government of Andhra Pradesh that the cost of land, Rehabilitation and Resettlement (R&R) and external infrastructure cost would be borne by the State Government of Andhra Pradesh. The State Government subsequently expressed inability to fulfil this commitment. Representations have also been received for establishing a port at Ramayapatnam. NITI Aayog has been tasked to evolve a most suitable option in consultation with Ministry of Shipping, Ministry of Finance and State Government of Andhra Pradesh.
