

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1675

TO BE ANSWERED ON 28th DECEMBER, 2017

COCHIN SHIPYARD LTD.

1675. DR. C.GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether the Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL) is in the process of setting up ship-building and repair facilities in Andaman and Nicobar, Gujarat, Kolkata and Mumbai;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the time by which the proposed CSL ship-building and repair facilities are likely to be set up and made functional at the said locations; and
- (d) the total cost of the proposed expansion of CSL?

ANSWER

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

(a)&(b):Madam, currently there is no proposal for setting up ship-building facilities by Cochin Shipyard Ltd (CSL) in Andaman & Nicobar, Gujarat and Mumbai. In Kolkata, CSL has entered into a Joint Venture with Hooghly Dock and Port Engineers Limited (HDPEL), Kolkata for setting up of modern shipbuilding facilities, mainly for undertaking construction of vessels for inland and coastal waterways. For this purpose, a new company has been incorporated in the name of 'Hooghly Cochin Shipyard Limited (HCSL)' with a stake of 74:26 for CSL and HDPEL, respectively.

In so far as ship repair facilities are concerned, in May 2017, the government advised Cochin Shipyard Ltd (CSL) to explore the possibilities of partnering with Mumbai Port Trust, Kolkata Port Trust and Andaman and Nicobar administration for developing ship-repair activities. Accordingly, CSL has initiated discussions with the respective authorities.

(c)&(d):As the above projects are in their nascent stages, at present the government is not in a position to envisage the timeline or cost of these activities. However, for the HCSL project, an investment outlay of around Rs.130 crores is envisaged.
