

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1105

TO BE ANSWERED ON 8th FEBRUARY, 2018

NEW PORTS

1105. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM GAIKWAD:
SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH:
SHRI ASHOK SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

पोत परिवहन मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government proposes to build six new ports in the country;
- (b) if so, the details and the present status thereof along with the total investment made in these projects, projectwise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to establish cruise ship terminals at Major Ports in the country;
- (d) if so, the details and the present status thereof along with the total investment made in this regard;
- (e) the time frame set for completion of these projects; and
- (f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to boost infrastructure in ports, shipping and inland waterways in the country?

ANSWER

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

(a)&(b):As part of the National Perspective Plan for Sagarmala, six locations have been identified for development of new ports in the country. These include – Outer Harbour at Paradip in Odisha, Sirkhazi in Tamil Nadu, Vadhavan in Maharashtra, Enayam in Tamil Nadu, Belekeri in Karnataka and Sagar in West Bengal. The Techno-Economic Feasibility Reports for these 6 locations have been prepared. The in-principle approval was obtained from the Cabinet on 5th July 2016 for setting up a major port at Enayam.

(c)to(e):Yes, Madam. Cruise Terminals are operational at Mumbai, Murmagao, New Mangalore, Cochin and Chennai major ports where cruise shipping visit. The Government proposes to upgrade Cruise Terminal at Mumbai Port and construct a new terminal at Cochin Port at cost of Rs 197 crore and Rs 25.72 crore respectively. The proposed projects are slated to be completed by August, 2019 and February, 2020 respectively.

(f) The Government has taken the following steps to boost infrastructure in ports, shipping in the country.

- i. The Model Concession Agreement in the PPP sector has been revised to attract investment in the port sector.
- ii. The security guideline for PPP and dredging projects has been revised.
- iii. Expansion, modernization, development and upgradation of Port infrastructure, Shipping and Inland Waterways in the county are ongoing process which includes construction of new berths/harbours & terminals, mechanization of existing berths.
- iv. Ministry has taken several other measures/ initiatives under Sagarmala Programme for promoting coastal shipping, cruise tourism, enhancing Port connectivity through Bharatmala and ship repair facilities for Ports to boost infrastructure in ports, shipping and inland waterways in the country.
