GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 217 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.12.2022

COMPREHENSIVE PROJECTS

217 SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has prepared comprehensive projects for the development of port and railway connectivity, if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether Kerala is included in the same project; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

- (a) Yes, Sir. Ministry of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways, Ministry of Railways, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, and DPIIT have jointly finalized a comprehensive action plan for port connectivity.
 - Under Sagarmala Projects for Rail Connectivity with Port, 20 projects have been completed.
- (b)&(c)Yes, Sir. Kochi and Vallarpadam Ports are already connected to rail network with adequate capacity.

For Azhikkal Port-Fishing Harbour, the volume of traffic is very low. Rail Connectivity is not required.

On date, there is no project for Kollam & Beypore Ports.
