

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 3959
ANSWERED ON 24/03/2023

COASTAL SHIPPING

3959. SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:
SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state:
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- (a) whether coastal shipping will be promoted as the energy efficient and low cost mode of transport, both for passengers and freight, through PPP mode with viability gap funding; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the progress made therein?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

(a) & (b) One of the Budget Announcements for 2023-24 was about Coastal Shipping to be promoted as the energy efficient and lower cost mode of transport, both for passengers and freight, through PPP mode. The matter has been taken up with Department of Economic Affairs to include coastal Shipping as a sector in the 'Guidelines for Financial Support to Public Private Partnership in infrastructure under the Viability Gap Funding Scheme'.
