

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 3966
ANSWERED ON 24/03/2023

TRANSSHIPMENT PORT AT GREAT NICOBAR ISLAND

3966. SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state:

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- (a) the present status of transshipment port at Great Nicobar Island in the Bay of Bengal;
- (b) the details of operational proposal and investments therein; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to setup greenfield deep sea port in West Bengal and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port Authority (SMPA) had invited Expression of Interest (Eoi) on 28.01.2023 with due date as 7th March, 2023. The Draft Detailed Project Report (DPR) is prepared and details of the same are as below:

- (i) The project facilities are proposed to be developed in 4 phases. In the first phase, capacity of about 4 Million TEUs (Twenty Equipment Units) is to be developed by 2028 which will be enhanced to about 16 Million TEUs in the ultimate stage of development by 2058.
- (ii) The estimated cost of the first phase of the project is Rs.18,000 crore and ultimate cost is Rs.42,000 crore. To structure the project, the Expression of Interest (Eoi) has been invited.
- (c) Government of West Bengal has issued the Letter of Award for the development of Tajpur Port in West Bengal.
