

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1388
ANSWER ON 28.07.2023

FUNDS FOR DREDGING IN PORTS

1388. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

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

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- (a) whether Government has sanctioned any additional funds for dredging in various minor ports of the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Beypore port is being considered under Sagarmala scheme, if so, details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has any plans to provide Beypore port with funds for carrying out dredging operations and expansion works, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any schemes of the Union Government are under operation at Beypore port, if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether any steps/measures are being considered to preserve history and legacy of Beypore port and also improve the infrastructure facilities and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether any steps/measures are being taken to extend the services of Beypore port to industrial areas of neighboring States, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Yes Sir, the details of funds sanctioned for dredging under Sagarmala Scheme is annexed [Annexure-I]

(b) to (d) The Sagarmala is the flagship Central Sector Scheme of the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways to promote port-led development in the country. Under Sagarmala Scheme, Ministry provide financial assistance to State Governments for Port infrastructure projects, Coastal berth projects including dredging, Road & Rail projects, fish harbours, skill development projects, Coastal community development, cruise terminal and projects such as Ro-Pax ferry services etc. Ports other than Major Ports (Non- Major Ports) are under the administrative control of the respective State Government. Based on the request received from State Government along with necessary documents, projects are taken up under Sagarmala Scheme in terms of Sagarmala Funding guidelines and instructions of Ministry of Finance on appraisal and approval of projects. At present there is no proposal from State Government with respect to infrastructure at Beypore port under Sagarmala Scheme.

(e) & (f) Government of Kerala has informed that Beypore Port has 340 M long wharf. Port is provided with 3 fixed cranes, 5 mobile cranes, 1 container handling crane, 2 reach stackers and 3 Tugs for smooth shipping operations. Govt. of Kerala has taken steps to further develop Beypore Port for handling of more passengers and cargo. The steps include Capital Dredging for berthing bigger vessels, increasing the length of existing wharf, acquisition of land for constructing godown & cargo handling facility and connectivity.

Annexure I**Details of funds sanctioned for dredging under Sagarmala Scheme**

Sr No	Name of Project	Implementing Agency	State	Project Cost (Rs. Cr)	Funds Sanctioned (Rs. Cr)
1	Construction of Breakwater both in North and South side of entrance channel- Berth-1- Berth-2 and Capital Dredging at Cuddalore Port -From entrance channel till cargo berths	Tamil Nadu Maritime Board	Tamil Nadu	135.00	67.50
2	Dredging the dock basin for coastal cargo berth at VOCPT -Dredging in front of dedicated coastal berth	V. O. Chidambaranar Port Authority	Tamil Nadu	98.00	20.88
3	Capital Dredging for Puducherry Port - phase 1	Port Dept., Puducherry	Puducherry	44.00	44.00
4	Capital dredging in Navigational Channel for Ro-Ro Pax Services at Mandwa	Maharashtra Maritime Board	Maharashtra	16.54	8.27
5	Capital Dredging at Old Mangaluru Port -Bengre Side	Ports & IWT, Karnataka	Karnataka	29.00	14.50
6	Dredging of RO-Pax Ferry Services between Gogha and Dahej in Gulf of Cambay	Gujarat Maritime Board	Gujarat	234.00	117.00
7	Upgradation of Dredging at GhoghaGhannel, Turning Gircle and Approach Channel to achieve depth of (-) 7 Metre	Deendayal Port Authority	Gujarat	45.81	45.81
8	Dredging at Vanakbara Port of UT of Daman & Diu	Daman & Diu	Daman & Diu	46.44	23.22
9	Dredging at Diu port of UT of Daman & Diu	Daman & Diu	Daman & Diu	45.90	22.95
