

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3709
ANSWERED ON 11.08.2023

DEVELOPMENT OF NEW MAJOR PORT AT DUGARAJAPATNAM

3709. SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS:

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

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

- (a) whether the Union Government has any proposal to develop a new major port at Dugarajapatnam and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Dugarajapatnam port project was discontinued in 2018 after being declared techno-economically unviable by a feasibility study conducted by NITI Aayog, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the status of the Ramayapatnam port being built in lieu of the Dugarajapatnam port;
- (d) whether the Ramayapatnam port is notified as a non-major port; and
- (e) whether there are any other plans to develop a major port in Andhra Pradesh and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a)&(b) The development of new Major Port at Duggirajapatnam in Andhra Pradesh is included in Schedule XIII of the Andhra Pradesh Re-organisation Act, 2014. NITI Aayog had examined the proposal for development of new Major Port at Duggirajapatnam in consultation with Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways, Ministry of Finance and Government of Andhra Pradesh and it has been concluded that the project will not be viable due to strong competition from nearby Ports of Krishnapatnam, Ennore and Chennai which are 40, 80 & 80 KMs away respectively from the proposed Port.

(c) The development of Ramayapatnam Port has been taken up by Government of Andhra Pradesh in Nellore District in Andhra Pradesh.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) No, Sir. There is no other proposal for development of Major Port in Andhra Pradesh.
