

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3900
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TRANSSHIPMENT CARGO

3900. SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:

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

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has noticed that nearly 75% of India's Transshipment cargo is handled at ports outside India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any initiative to develop Transshipment hubs in India; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) In FY22 the total transshipment cargo of our country was about 4.6 Million TEUs (twenty-foot equivalent units), out of which about 4.2 Million TEUs handled outside India.

(c) & (d) The initiatives taken by Government to develop Transshipment hubs in India are as under:

- (i) The Cochin Port Authority (CoPA) has developed International Container Transshipment Terminal at Vallarpadam in Cochin.
- (ii) Government of Kerala is developing the Vizhinjam International Seaport Limited, primarily to cater container transshipment.
- (iii) Galathea bay in Great Nicobar Island of Andaman & Nicobar Islands is identified for development of an International Container Transshipment Port.
