

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2070
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22nd SEPTEMBER, 2020

PROJECT UNNATI

2070: SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

पोत परिवहन मंत्री

- (a) the details of ongoing initiative under Project Unnati;
- (b) the details of funds allocated, released and spent on the project in the financial year 2020-21;
- (c) the details of the new ports proposed to be developed and the funds allocated for their development; and
- (d) the estimated time to start and the target set for completion of the same?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR SHIPPING
(SHRI MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

- (a) There are 3 ongoing initiatives under Project Unnati [2 of Haldia Dock Complex and 1 of Kamarajar (Ennore) Port], the details of which are given in Annexure.
- (b) No funds have been allocated by Ministry of Shipping, Government of India.
- (c) & (d) Presently, there are two ports which are proposed to be developed, viz. one at Vadhavan, Maharashtra and another at Kanniyakumari District, Tamil Nadu. With regard to Vadhavan Port, the project proposal for investment is under preparation and detailed study on Engineering and EC Clearance would require some more time and will be completed by July 2021. The construction is slated to start in December 2022 and completed by December 2027. As regards new Major Port in Kanniyakumari District, Tamil Nadu, DPR is being finalized as certain studies are to be carried out for finalization of DPR.

ANNEXURE

S.No.	Initiative No.	Initiative	Expected End Date	Port Name	Status Remark
1	6.2	Reduce tug operation cost at HDC by scrapping own tugs and replacing them by hired tugs	01.09.2022	Haldia	Since March 2016, 2 HDC tugs have been condemned and to meet the shipping requirement inside the docks and riverine jetties, 6 tugs have been hired. The remaining 4 port owned tugs will be phased out in the next 2 years considering the "Atmanirbhar Abhiyan" policy of Government of India wherein a minimum of 15 months is required to build the first tug in India as per the Approved Standardised Tug Design and Specifications (ASTDS).
2	7.2	Reduction of Non-Working time in Oil Jetties and Reduction of non-Berthing time in Oil Jetties	01.03.2021	Haldia	Night berthing of vessels at HOJ-I and III have been started to reduce the non-working time in Oil Jetties. Infrastructure development and negotiation with the pilots is under progress for night berthing of vessels at HOJ-II.
3	3.1	Modification of existing empty Iron Ore berth to handle coal and serve hinterland demand	31.12.2020	Ennore	Modification works commenced on 20.07.2018 (Zero date). Duration is 12 months. Physical progress achieved is 71.85%. However, due to COVID-19 pandemic, the modifications works were held up and Force Majeure was invoked from 19.02.2020. Hence, no work was executed till 14.09.2020. On 14.09.2020, Force Majeure letter was revoked and accordingly the Concessionaire M/s SIOTL was informed.
