

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2962  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2021

**NEW CARGO PORTS**

2962. SHRI PATEL HASMUKHBHAI SOMABHAI:

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

**पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री**

- (a) whether the Government has planned for setting up of new cargo ports in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has conducted any survey for new cargo projects particularly in Gujarat; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof including the funds sanctioned and spent for each of the new cargo projects so far?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b) Government of India has accorded in-principle approval for development of Major Port at Vadhavan in Maharashtra by a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) incorporated under Companies Act, 2013 with Jawaharlal Nehru Port as lead partner. The Non-Major ports are under the jurisdiction of respective State Maritime Boards/ State Government.

(c) & (d) Government of India has not conducted any survey for new cargo projects in Gujarat. However, survey for development of Major Port at Vadhavan has been conducted in 2018 which includes Traffic survey, Marine survey, Land survey, Topography survey, Geotechnical Investigation for Marine & Land, Biodiversity survey and Fisheries survey. The expenditure for survey work of Vadhavan Port is approx. Rs. 5 crores.

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