

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 487
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22ND JULY, 2021
MODERNISATION OF HALDIA PORT

487. SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to allocate additional funds for ensuring world class facilities at Haldia port;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government proposes for foreign trade with Chattogram port, Bangladesh through Haldia port; and
- (d) if so, the details of the necessary restructuring projects and modernisation of Haldia port thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
(SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

(a)&(b) Haldia Dock Complex has undertaken major projects amounting to Rs.658.86 Crores for modernization of its cargo handling facility. Details of major projects are annexed. In addition, Government has allocated a fund amounting to Rs.998.85 crores upto 2023-24 for undertaking maintenance dredging in the shipping channel, which will help accommodate deep drafted vessels at HDC.

(c)&(d) Haldia is one of the Ports of call in the Indo Bangladesh Coastal Shipping Agreement. Under the agreement there are four agreed routes for the movement of vessels as follows:-

- i) Chennai-Krishnapatnam-Kakinada-Vishakhapatnam-Paradip-Haldia-Kolkata-Mongla-Paira Chittagong;
- ii) Chennai-Krishnapatnam-Kakinada-Vishakhapatnam-Paradip-Haldia-Kolkata-Mongla-Khulna;
- iii) Chennai-Krishnapatnam-Kakinada-Vishakhapatnam-Paradip-Haldia-Kolkata-Paira;
- iv) Chennai-Krishnapatnam-Kakinada-Vishakhapatnam-Paradip-Haldia-Kolkata-Pangaon Narayanganj-Ashuganj.

In July, 21, 2020 a container vessel on a Trial run reached Chattagram from Haldia with cargo destined to Tripura.

List of major projects undertaken by the HDC for modernization of its cargo handling facility.

- i) Construction of Rail Over bridge at Ranichak – Rs.127.8 crores (completed)
- ii) 2nd Railway Line from Durgachak take off point to “A” cabin at Durgachak at HDC. Route KM: 11,5 Km – Rs.117 crore(completed)
- iii) Development of Outer Terminal-II – Rs.81.24 crore.
- iv) Installation and commissioning of 3rd RMQC at Berth Nos.11 & 12 – Rs.52.82 crore
- v) Setting up of Liquid Cargo Handling, Jetty along with associated facilities at Shalukkhali, Haldia Dock-II, Haldia Dock Complex, SMPK, Kolkata on DBFOT basis for a period of 30 years – Rs.172.52 crore.
- vi) Mechanisation of the berths (Berth Nos.5 & 10) through PPP.
- vii) Development of Fire Fighting Facilities at 5 Berths/jetties – Rs.107.48 crore.
