

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3324  
ANSWERED ON 17/12/2021

VCIC COASTAL ECONOMIC ZONES

3324. SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state:  
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- (a) the details of updated status on the VCIC North and VCIC Central Coastal Economic Zones (CEZs);
- (b) the data on the number of industries currently operating in the above CEZs;
- (c) the value, in crores of combined contribution of both CEZs in Andhra Pradesh to the industrial output of the country;
- (d) the date on the average turnaround time of the ports of the State during the last three years, especially for Vishakhapatam port; and
- (e) the details of developmental projects undertaken at the port of Vizag to enhance efficiency and capacity under the Sagarmala initiative?

ANSWER

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

(a), (b) & (c) Government of Andhra Pradesh has identified five nodes under VCIC including Visakhapatnam, Machilipatnam, Donakonda, Srikalahasthi-Yerpedu (Chittoor) and Kadapa. VCIC Development Program, with the Financial Assistance of Asian Development Bank (ADB), envisages development of three industrial clusters; Nakkapalli & Rambilli at Visakhapatnam Node and Chittoor South at Srikalahasthi-Yerpedu Node. For multi-tranche financing facility (MFF) Tranche I of the project total expenditure has been USD 114 Mn and physical progress of the project is 62%.

The Industrial Clusters proposed under VCIC are new clusters. Industries are yet to be established in these clusters.

(d) The average turnaround time of Visakhapatnam port during the last three years are as follows:

2018-19 – 2.51 days

2019-20 – 2.48 days

2020-21 – 2.80 days

(e) 28 projects with total project cost of Rs. 5,293 Cr. have been undertaken by Vishakhapatnam Port Trust under the pillars of port modernization and port connectivity of Sagarmala Programme. Out of the 28 projects, 12 projects with total project cost of Rs. 1,293 Cr. have been completed and 3 projects with total project cost of Rs. 1,114 Cr are under implementation.

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