GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3755 ANSWERED ON 25/03/2022

CARBON EMISSION BY MARINE INDUSTRY

3755. SHRIMATI SUNITA DUGGAL:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state: पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

(a) whether the maritime logistics industry accounts for a massive carbon emission;
(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is planning to introduce a maritime logistics policy to help reduce the carbon emission to net zero in the country having about 7517 kms coastline; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a to d) Green House Gas (GHG) emissions from maritime (excluding military operations) contribute 1 per cent to the overall transport sector GHG emissions i.e. approx. 2,744.34 Gg CO2e.

There exist following measures to reduce emissions by making it fuel-efficient, cleaner mode of transportation through various initiatives and programmes:

(i) Green port project: implementation of sustainable practices in terminal design, development and operation; preparation of environment management and monitoring plan; regulation of the discharges and effluents in the harbor water and minimization through Swachh Bharat initiatives, large plantation activities around port areas etc.

(ii) Usage of renewable power for port activities: installation of the solar power plant, rooftop solar, wind farm, floating solar plant etc.
