

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1108
ANSWERED ON 22/07/2022

INFRASTRUCTURE AT PORTS

1108. SHRI COSME FRANCISCO CAITANO SARDINHA:

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

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- (a) whether the Government has asked all major ports to ensure adequate infrastructure in place by year 2025 for achieving zero waiting time for inward and outbound cargos;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the master plan of Government for developing warehousing at ports; and
- (c) the details of other initiatives being proposed by the Government to achieve efficient logistics management for enhancing economic development in ports?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. Ministry has issued directions for Preparation of Comprehensive Master Plan for ports with planning horizon of 2047 on 25/4/2022. Indian Ports Association, an apex body of Major Ports, has been directed to integrate all Port's Master Plan with respect to vision 2047 and prepare a comprehensive Plan & report for Major Ports.

(c) Sagarmala is an ambitious national initiative aimed at unlocking the full potential of India's coastline and waterways. The vision of this flagship program of Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways is to reduce logistics cost and catalyse port-led industrial and infrastructure development along the coastline.

As a part of Sagarmala Programme, more than 800 projects at an estimated cost of around 5.5 lakh crore have been identified for implementation during 2015-2035. Further, under holistic development of coastal districts, a total of 567 projects with an estimated cost of around Rs. 58,000 crore have been identified. The concept of "port-led development" and the projects identified there under, are focused on – Port Modernization, Port Connectivity, Port-led Industrialization, Coastal Community Development, and Coastal Shipping and Inland Water Transport.
