

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3242
ANSWERED ON 05/08/2022

MARITIME UNIVERSITIES

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SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:

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

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

- (a) whether the Maritime Universities which have been established in all the States of the country are being monitored directly by the Government, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the funds allocated to the States by the Government for this purpose during the last three years and current year;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up more such universities to meet the rising demand of trained personnel in the shipping sector and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the students graduated from the Maritime colleges have got placement and if so, the details thereof during the last three years and the current year;
- (e) whether there are fewer employment opportunities in the maritime sector and if so, the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (f) whether the Government has identified such maritime clusters in the country to boost economic development along the coastlines and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) There are only two Maritime Universities namely (i) Indian Maritime University (a Central University established under IMU Act, 2008 having 6 campuses at Chennai, Kolkata, Navi Mumbai, Mumbai Port, Kochi, Visakhapatnam); and (ii) Academy of Maritime Education and Training (AMET) University {Deemed (Maritime) University} at Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

The Directorate General of Shipping (DGS) is monitoring the above Maritime Universities.

(b) No funds are allocated to the State Governments by the Central Government for this purpose.

(c) No Sir, there is no proposal to set up more such Universities.

(d) Yes Sir, many students graduating from the Maritime colleges have got placement. The details of the students graduated from the approved Maritime Training Institute and underwent Ship-board training in the last three years and current year are placed at Annexure-I.

(e) No Sir, there has been constant increase in the employment of Indian seafarers both on Indian and Foreign flag vessels for the period 2014-2019. However, there has been marginal decrease in the employment of the seafarers in the year 2020 & 2021 compared to 2019. This marginal loss of jobs was for seafarers working on cruise ships since cruise sector remained inoperative due to worldwide Covid-19 pandemic. The details of the employment of the seafarers engaged on Indian/Foreign flag Vessels during the period 2014-2021 are placed at Annexure-II.

(f) Yes Sir, the Government has identified such maritime clusters in the country to boost economic development along the coastlines. The details are as under :-

The potential for ship-building/ship-repair was identified in Goa. Accordingly, representative of such industries in Goa were encouraged to form cluster to be able to pool their resources and obtain benefits under the cluster development scheme of the Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME). Accordingly, Konkan Maritime Cluster has been setup by the member of MSME at Goa.