GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

LOKSABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3205

ANSWERED ON 13.12.2024

CRUISE TERMINAL IN VISAKHAPATNAM

3205.DR.C.M RAMESH:

Will the Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways be pleased to state:

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- a) whether Cruise Terminal in Visakhapatnam which was to be completed by March, 2024 is ready for operation for cruise ships services, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the original date of completion of the Cruise Terminal at Visakhapatnam and the reasons for its enormous delay;
- (c) whether it is true that Vizag Port has entered into MoU with Littoral Cruise Ltd., for cruise from Visakhapatnam to Singapore and to other places, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the time by which the first cruise ship is going to start its services from Visakhapatnam Cruise Terminal in Andhra Pradesh?

ANSWER

MINISTRYOF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS (SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

- (a) & (b) The establishment of cruise terminal in Visakhapatnam was completed on 11.08.2023. The cruise terminal was originally scheduled for completion by April, 2023. The delay by three months was on account of receipt of Environment Clearance and No Objection Certificate from Navy.
- (c) No.
- (d)The first foreign cruise vessel "The World" was berthed on 28thApril 2024 at Visakhapatnam Cruise Terminal.
