

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3490
ANSWERED ON 21.03.2025

ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS IN MORMUGAO PORT AUTHORITY REGION

3490. SHRI CAPTAIN VIRIATO FERNANDES:

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

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- (a) whether the Government has earmarked funds under any infrastructure financing schemes to address environmental concerns in the Mormugao Port Authority region;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is a fact that a portion of the revenue generated from coal imports is being utilized to mitigate pollution in the surrounding areas of Mormugao, Vasco-da-Gama, Dabolim, Cortalim, and along the coastal villages through which the coal trains are passing;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, whether the Government is likely to consider a dedicated fund for sustainable development in port-affected areas and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Yes. Central Government & Mormugao Port Authority (MgPA) has earmarked funds under infrastructure financing schemes to address environmental concerns in the MgPA region. The details are at Annexure –A

(c) & (d) Yes. Certain amount of the revenue generated from coal imports is used by the Port to mitigate pollution within the Port and its surrounding areas. To control dust pollution, various measures are implemented throughout the year i.e. mechanized closed conveyor system for coal handling, DFDS dust suppression, in-motion silo loading, wind screens, ground wetting, tarpaulin-covered trucks, recycled water drainage, wheel washing, cement-paved roads, green belts, and real-time air quality monitoring for dust control etc.

(e) Does not arise.

Infrastructure Projects to address environmental concerns in theMgPA.

Sr. No.	Name of Project	Project Cost (Rs. Crore)
1.	Recycling/Reuse of Sewage Treated Water fromSIDCGL located at Katem Baina	3.50
2.	Design, Supply, Installation and commissioningof 3MWp Solar Power Plant at MgPA underCAPEX model.	14.8821
