

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4726**  
ANSWERED ON 28/03/2025

**DEVELOPMENT OF SHIPBUILDING CLUSTERS**

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Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state:  
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- (a) the criteria based on which States were selected for the development of shipbuilding clusters under the Government's initiative;
- (b) whether there are any future plans to expand this initiative to other coastal regions of Karnataka including Dakshina Kannada, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the current capacity and capability of the domestic shipbuilding industry, including the number of operational shipyards and their production capacity, State-wise;
- (d) the extent of India's dependence on imports for shipbuilding components, including specialized steel, propulsion systems and other critical equipment along with the steps being taken to reduce this dependency;
- (e) whether the Government has formulated any plans to enhance local manufacturing of shipbuilding components and strengthen the supply chain for this sector, if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the expected impact of the shipbuilding clusters on employment generation, technology transfer and India's competitiveness in the global maritime industry?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS  
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(a) to (f) The State-wise capacity and capability of the domestic shipyards is attached as **Annexure**. India's shipbuilding industry is dependent on imports for critical components such as specialized marine-grade steel, propulsion systems (engines, gearboxes), navigation equipment, and advanced materials. This reliance results from limited domestic production capabilities, leading to increased costs due to import duties,

logistical expenses, longer procurement times, and vulnerability to global supply chain disruptions. Government of India, in the budget speech, 2025, has made following announcements:

- i. The Shipbuilding Financial Assistance Policy will be revamped to address cost disadvantages. This will also include Credit Notes for shipbreaking in Indian yards to promote the circular economy.
- ii. Large ships above a specified size will be included in the infrastructure harmonized master list (HML).
- iii. Shipbuilding Clusters will be facilitated to increase the range, categories and capacity of ships. This will include additional infrastructure facilities, skilling and technology to develop the entire ecosystem.
- iv. For long-term financing for the maritime industry, a Maritime Development Fund with a corpus of Rs. 25,000 crore will be set up. This will be for distributed support and promoting competition. This will have up to 49 per cent contribution by the Government, and the balance will be mobilized from ports and private sector.
- v. To continue the exemption of Basic Customs Duty(BCD) on raw materials, components, consumables or parts for the manufacture of ships for another ten years

The development of shipbuilding clusters would boost the employment generation, technology transfer and India's competitiveness in the global maritime industry.

## Annexure

List of shipyards state wise along with their shipbuilding capacity in DWT is presented below:

S.No.	Shipyards Name	Shipbuilding capacity (DWT)
<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>		
1	Hindustan Shipyards Limited	80000
<b>Goa</b>		
1	Vijai Marine Services	12000
2	Mandovi Drydocks	12000
3	Chowgule And Company Pvt. Ltd.	7000
4	Dempo Shipbuilding and Engineering Private Limited	18000
5	Waterways Shipyards Pvt Ltd	10000
6	Synergy Shipbuilders	10000
7	Zuari Shipyards Private Limited	9000
8	Victoria Shipbuilding And Engineering LLP	8000
9	Atreya Shipyards Private Limited	6000
10	West Coast Shipyards Ltd	5000
11	Aquarius Shipyards Pvt. Ltd.	2000
12	Praka Engineering shipyard	20000
13	Timblo Drydocks Pvt Ltd	5000
14	Essfour Engineering Pvt. Ltd.	3000
15	Majestic Dockyard Pvt. Ltd.	3000
<b>Gujarat</b>		
1	Shoft Shipyards Pvt. Ltd.	36000
2	AH Wadia Boat builders	300
3	Swan Defence and Heavy industries Ltd.	900000
<b>Karnataka</b>		
1	Waterways Shipyards	10000

2	Udupi Cochin Shipyard Limited	9000
3	Chowgule SBD Private Limited	32000
<b>Kerala</b>		
1	Cochin Shipyard Limited	235000
2	Master Shipyard Pvt. Ltd.	4000
3	Sea blue shipyard	5000
4	Navgathi Marine design and construction Pvt. Ltd.	7000
5	Navalt Solar and Electric boats Pvt. Ltd.	1600
6	Kerala Shipping and Inland Navigation corporation	800
7	Bristol boats Pvt. Ltd.	200
<b>Maharashtra</b>		
1	Mazgaon Dock Shipbuilders Ltd.	80000
2	Marine Frontiers Private Limited	300
3	Konkan Barge Builders Pvt Ltd	3000
4	MOC Shipyards Private Limited	3000
5	Modest Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd	6000
6	Sunrich Ship Management Pvt Ltd	2000
<b>Tamil Nadu</b>		
1	L&T Shipbuilding Limited	26000
<b>West Bengal</b>		
1	Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Ltd.	20000
2	Hooghly Cochin Shipyard Limited	3000
3	AC Roy Shipbuilders Pvt. Ltd.	3000
4	Titagarh Wagons Limited	6000
5	Shalimar Works Ltd.	12000

NOTE: The above data is compiled based on the data received from respective shipyards, Shipyards Association of India and data as available on website of shipyards. The above list of shipyards is not an exhaustive list. The list is being updated continuously by the Directorate General of Shipping.

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