

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 932**  
ANSWERED ON 05.12.2025

**CREATION OF MEGA SHIPBUILDING CLUSTERS**

932. DR. C M RAMESH:

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

**पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री**

- (a) whether it is true that the Government is planning to create eight mega shipbuilding clusters in the country, including one in Andhra Pradesh and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has formulated a broad plan to increase India's current one-percent share in global shipbuilding, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the said plan is considered to be overly ambitious to make India among the top ten shipbuilding and ship-owning countries in the world, if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (c) The Government has approved a comprehensive Rs.69,725 crore package featuring a practical four-pillar approach to strengthen domestic capacity, maritime financing, shipyard development, skilling, and reforms. Key components include the Shipbuilding Financial Assistance Scheme (SBFAS) with Rs. 24,736 crore corpus, the Maritime Development Fund (MDF) of Rs. 25,000 crore comprising a Rs. 20,000 crore Maritime Investment Fund and Rs. 5,000 crore Interest Incentiviation Fund, and the Shipbuilding Development Scheme (SbDS) with Rs.19,989 crore outlay to expand capacity to 4.5 million Gross Tonnage annually while supporting greenfield shipbuilding clusters. These schemes have been aligned to position India as a competitive global shipbuilding hub in line with vision contained in Maritime India Vision 2030 and Maritime Amrit Kaal Vision 2047 documents.

The SbDS scheme would facilitate the creation of shipbuilding clusters across multiple states. Memorandum of Understanding have already been signed between entities under MoPSW and those under the respective state governments of Andhra Pradesh, Odisha, Gujarat, Maharashtra, and Tamil Nadu for collaboration in greenfield shipbuilding clusters creation.

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