

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 580
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23RD July, 2015

PORTS IN TAMIL NADU

580. SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- the quantum of cargo handled at various ports in Tamil Nadu against the targets during the period 2014-15;
- the berth occupancy of these ports and profit earned during the said period; and
- the steps proposed to be undertaken to increase the activities and profit of these ports?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING
(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

- The quantum of cargo handled at Major Ports in Tamil Nadu against the targets during the period 2014-15 is given below:-

S. No.	Name of the Major Port	Target fixed (In Million Metric Tonnes)	Cargo actually handled (In Million Metric Tonnes)
1.	Chennai Port	55.00	52.54
2.	Kamarajar Port	28.00	30.25
3.	VoC Port, Tuticorin	32.00	32.41

- The berth occupancy of these ports and profit earned during the year 2014-15 is given below:-

S.No.	Name of Major Ports	Berth Occupancy	Profit
1.	Chennai Port	52%	Rs.23.09 crore
2.	Kamarajar Port	73.30%	Rs.336.57 crore
3.	VoC Port (Tuticorin)	69.12%	Rs.160.54 crore

- For increasing activities, all these ports are taking action on mechanisation of berths, deepening the port's channel & berths for handling bigger ships, adding capacity by constructing new berths & terminals and business promotion. All these ports are continuously taking action to reduce operating expenditure through various austerity measures to increase their profit.
