GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1851
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28ᵗʰ JULY, 2016
DEVELOPMENT OF NEW PORT

1851. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:
        SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:
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(a)   whether the Government proposes to develop Enayam Port near Colachel in Tamil Nadu and if so, the details and the objectives thereof;

(b)   whether the new port has been proposed in the region of already wellestablished ports of Tuticorin, Cochin, Vallarpadam and Vizhinjam etc. and if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard;

(c)   whether the Government proposes to deepen the Palk Strait at Sethusamudram in order to enhance the utility of the proposed port and if so, the details thereof;

(d)   whether the operation of the proposed port would require construction of at least two breakwaters and if so, the details thereof;

(e)   the extent to which the proposed port is likely to compete with the Colombo Port under the East West sea trade routes; and

(f)   the mode of execution proposed for development of the proposed port?

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

(a)   Yes, Madam. The objective is to develop a deep sea Transshipment Port at Colachel (Enayam), very close to the great East-West Shipping route.

(b)   The proposed Port at Enayam is not likely to affect the business of these ports, instead these Ports in the region will form a cluster in the Southern part of Indian Sub-continent.

(c)   The matter is subjudice.

(d)   Yes Madam. As per the Techno-Economic Feasibility Report, the Port layout consist breakwaters of total length of 8904m (Phase-1: 4639m, Phase-2: 2598m & Phase-3:1667m) in the combination of rubble mound and vertical breakwaters.

(e)   The New Major Port at Enayam will work out strategies in operation and pricing to overcome the challenges of Colombo Port.

(f)   The Port is proposed to be executed through investment by Government and PPP Mode.

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