GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4316 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11th AUGUST, 2016

COCHIN PORT TRUST

4316. SHRI PONGULETISRINIVASA REDDY:

Will the Minister of SHIPPINGbe pleased to state: पोतपरिवहनमंत्री

- (a) the financial performance of theCochin Port Trust (CPT) for each of thelast three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the Government is awarethat completion of GAIL (India) Ltd'snatural gas pipeline project is essential forCPT to improve its finances;
- (c) if so, the reaction of the Governmentthereto along with the steps taken/beingtaken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) the measures taken/being taken by the Government to expedite the landacquisition for GAIL project and NationalHighways for CPT; and
- (e) the time-frame set for completion of these projects?

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

(a) Financial performance of Cochin Port Trust for the last 3 years and the current year is furnished below:

				(Rs. in crores)
Particulars	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
				(April-July)
Operating Income	362.54	385.83	437.25	151.85
Operating Expenditure	382.78	366.28	366.36	113.78
Operating Profit/Loss	-20.24	19.55	70.89	38.07
Add: Finance & Miscellaneous	96.04	61.20	73.10	8.45
Less: Finance & Miscellaneous	183.69	152.79	184.52	65.78
Expenditure				
Profit Before Tax	-107.90	-72.04	-40.52	-19.26

(b): Yes, Madam.

(c)to(e): The installation of gas pipeline network is being done by Gas Authority of India Limited (GAIL). The measures taken for laying gas pipeline so far are given below:

- (i) Phase –I of GAIL's Project from Cochin Port Trust to FACT-I (UdyogMandal) and Spurline was completed in August, 2013.
- (ii) Construction works of Phase –II (879KM) of Kochi-Koottanad- Bangaluru-Mangalore through Kerala, Tamil Nadu and Karnataka states were started in February 2012.
- (iii) Government of Karnataka has been requested to expedite land acquisition.

Based on the present scenario and action by Kerala Government, the completion of Kerala section of GAIL's Pipeline is targeted for February, 2019.