

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4325
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11th AUGUST, 2016

DEVELOPMENT OF PORTS

4325. SHRI SULTAN AHMED:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether certain countries have shown interest in development of ports in India under the Sagarmala programme and if so, the details thereof, country-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has made official visits to certain countries including the United States for the purpose recently;
- (c) if so, the details and the outcome thereof;
- (d) the details of new ports and infrastructure projects proposed to be developed as a result thereof; and
- (e) the investment and employment likely to be generated as a result thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a): The Maritime India Summit, 2016 (MIS 2016) was organized from 14-16 April, 2016 in Mumbai to attract investment in the maritime sector. The information regarding new investment opportunities in the ports, shipping, shipbuilding and Sagarmala programme was provided to the delegates, including those from foreign countries. Business Agreements including MoUs, Letters of Intent and Concession Agreements were signed during the Maritime India Summit 2016. An MoU was also signed with the Republic of Korea on co-operation in port development on sidelines of MIS 2016.
- (b) to (e): Visits to foreign countries and International Maritime Organisation are undertaken mostly at the officer-level to foster and strengthen cooperation in maritime affairs. The recent visit to USA from 10th to 18th July, 2016 involved presentation to Chambers of Commerce and prominent investors in Washington DC, New York and in the Silicon Valley. The potential investors were provided detailed information regarding potential projects and investment opportunities through presentations, electronic documents and publications. These investors have exhibited interest regarding bringing direct investment in the Indian Maritime sector.
