GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4348 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11th AUGUST, 2016

MAJOR PORTS

4348.SHRI BHARATHI MOHANR. K.:

KUMARI SHOBHAKARANDLAJE: SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of SHIPPINGbe pleased to state: पोतपरिवहनमंत्री

- (a) whether the Government is awarethat major ports in the country are not ableto meet the global requirements of freighttransport;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and thereaction of the Government theretoalongwith the remedial measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government is awarethat the capacity of major ports inKarnataka has been declining over the lastfew years;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the reason therefor during each of the last three years and the current year, port-wise;
- (e) whether the Government proposesto formulate any comprehensive plan toenhance the capacity of these ports; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the other steps taken/being taken by theGovernment in this regard?

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

- (a)&(b):Expansion, modernization and up-gradation of Major Ports in the country is an ongoing process to keep the ports abreast with new technologies and also to promote trade and cargo. The capacity of the Major Ports has grown significantly with last few years. The existing capacity of the Major Ports as on 31st March, 2016 is 965.36 MTPA which is adequate to handle existing cargo at the Ports. The cargo handled by the Major Ports during 2015-16 was 606.37 MT.
- (c)to(f):There is only one Major Port in Karnataka viz New Mangalore Port and there has been no decline in its capacity during the last few years. The capacity available in the Major Ports during the last three years and the current year is as under:

		Capacity(MTPA)			
Port	2014 (31 st March)	2015 (31 st March)	2016 (31 st March)	2016-17 (Upto June, 2016)	
Kolkata (including Haldia)	63.89	70.85	86.99	86.99	

Paradip	108.80	119.80	126.94	126.94
Visakhapatnam	88.92	90.76	107.75	107.75
Kamarajar (Ennore)	31.00	37.00	45.00	45.00
Chennai	86.04	86.04	93.44	93.44
V.O.Chidambaranar	42.06	44.55	59.26	59.26
Cochin	49.66	49.66	49.66	49.66
New Mangalore	77.77	77.77	77.77	77.77
Mormugao	36.65	43.76	48.79	48.79
Mumbai	44.53	44.53	49.33	49.33
JNPT	65.88	121.43	89.37	89.37
Kandla	102.32	79.33	131.06	131.06
Total:	800.52	871.34	965.36	965.36

Expansion & up-gradation of capacity in Major Ports is continuous process and it involves construction of new berths & terminals, mechanization of existing berths & terminals etc. and up-gradation of skills of human resource in the major ports.
