

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3612
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COASTAL SHIPPING OPERATIONS IN ODISHA

3612. SMT. SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEO:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state:
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- (a) the details of coastal shipping operations in the State of Odisha and their contribution to economic growth during the last three financial years, year-wise;
- (b) the total volume of cargo transported via coastal shipping from Odisha's ports during the last three financial years, year-wise;
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to incentivize Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) to utilize coastal shipping for logistics; and
- (d) whether any new port connectivity projects have been planned to facilitate coastal trade in the said State?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

- (a) & (b) The details of coastal cargo transported in the State of Odisha during the last three financial years are as under:

(Cargo volume in MMT)

Financial Year	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Dhamara Port	2.23	2.93	4.53
Gopalpur Port	0.52	0.30	0.59
Paradip Port	36.75	51.77	55.42
Total	39.50	55.00	60.54

(c) Government of Odisha have issued Odisha Policy and Odisha logistics Policy in 2022 for augmentation of cargo handling capacity including port connectivity infrastructure, coastal shipping and inland waterways by incentivizing development of logistics infrastructure of the State for all sectors including SME's.

(d) Yes, steps have been taken and following projects for implementation by the Government to augment port connectivity and facilitate coastal trade in Odisha:

- National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has taken up upgradation and widening the 4 Lane Paradip-Chandikhole Section of NH-53 to 8 Lane at a cost of Rs. 3,747 Crore.
- Indian Railways has taken implementation for the quadrupling of Railway line between Jaradapa-Budhapank-Salegaon at a cost of Rs. 2,113 Crore for faster movement of coal from Talcher coalfield and coal blocks at Jarapada area to Paradip for coastal movement to power plants in Southern states.
- Development of Ports at Subarnarekha and Astaranga including their connectivity has been undertaken by the state of Government of Orissa.
