

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA**

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Artificial Inland Port
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to develop new ports connecting landlocked States with nearest sea in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to undertake feasibility study for developing an artificial inland port in Rajasthan by connecting Arabian sea through Gujarat;
- (c) if so, the details and the present status thereof; and
- (d) the role of the Government of Rajasthan in the said proposed project?

Answer

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

(a)to(d):A proposal received from Government of Rajasthan to develop Inland Shipping Port at Jalore which would be connected to the Arabian Sea by developing a channel along the Kutch Creek, was discussed by the officers of the Rajasthan Government with the officials of Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI). It was decided that a pre-feasibility study be undertaken by Government of Rajasthan containing all the technical parameters required to assess the possibility of developing the port at Jalore. IWAI has finalized the Terms of Reference for the study, which has been forwarded to Government of Rajasthan for necessary action.
