

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SHIPPING  
LOK SABHA**

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Coastal Shipping  
Nagar Shri Rodmal

**Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has finalized any vision document for coastal shipping in order to ensure enhanced contribution of maritime sector to the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP);
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the time-frame set for implementation thereof; and
- (c) if not, the other measures taken/being taken for the development of coastal shipping in the country?

**Answer**

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

(a)to(c):Yes Madam. The Ministry of Shipping has prepared a vision document for "Coastal Shipping, Tourism and Regional Development" which envisages increasing the share of Coastal/Inland Water transportation, development of coastal shipping as part of an end to end logistic supply chain, integration of inland waterways with coastal routes, development of regional centres to generate cargo for coastal traffic and promotion of cruise tourism. The specific measures to be taken for development of Coastal shipping have been identified and communicated to concerned Ministries/organisations.

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