

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT : (SHRI H. M. TRIVEDI) : The executive responsibility for development of all Ports other than major Ports vests in the State Government concerned. It is learnt from the State Government that the works are in progress and out of a proposed total length of 8600 ft of the break-water about 5600 ft. length has been completed, tenders for the alongside deep water berth has also been invited. The funds released by the Central Government for development of this Port during the last three years ending 1974-75 was Rs. 126.44 lakhs.

Shipyards in India

601 SHRI RAMLAL PARIKH : Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of shipyards at present in India and what is the annual production and number of ocean going merchant ships from these shipyards ;

(b) what are the recommendations of Techno-Economic Working Group set up by Government for location of new shipyards during the Fifth Five Year Plan; and

(c) whether the detailed project reports have been received from the foreign consultants ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI H. M. TRIVEDI) : (a) The following three Shipyards in the public Sector are at present building ocean going vessels. The annual capacity of these Shipyards for building ocean going merchant ships is shown against each :

Name	Annual Capacity
Hindustan Shipyard Ltd., Visakhapatnam.	2½ ships of Pioneer Class of 21,500 DWT each.
Mazagaon Dock Ltd. Bombay.	Three vessels of upto 16,000 DWT, every two years.
Garden Reach Workshops.	One large bulk carrier of 26000 DWT and one coastal vessel of 6000 DWT annually.

Cochin Shipyard Limited, Cochin, which has recently commenced production, will be capable of building two ships of 75,000 DWT each per year from the beginning of the Sixth Plan.

There are 17 other shipyards in the Public and Private Sectors constructing smaller crafts like tugs, barges, launches, fishing trawlers etc.

(b) The Techno-Economic Working Group recommended 4 possible sites and then foreign consultants were asked to prepare preliminary Project Reports in respect of the same.

(c) No, Sir. Only preliminary Project Reports have been received from foreign consultants and they are still under examination.

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602. श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : क्या नौबहन और परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) बिजनौर में विदुरकुटी के समीप गंगा पर पुल के निर्माण में अब तक क्या प्रगति हुई है ;

(ख) पुल के कब तक तैयार हो जाने की संभावना है ; और

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि इस पुल के बनने से दिल्ली से बद्रीनाथ तक सीधा मार्ग खुल जायेगा ?

Construction of Ganga bridge near Vidurkuti in Bijnor

602. SHRI PRAKASH VEER SHASTRI: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the progress made so far in the construction of a bridge on the river Ganga near Vidurkuti in Bijnor;

(b) by when the bridge is likely to be completed; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that the bridge will provide a direct road link from Delhi to Badrinath ?]