Funds for implementation of National Waterway No. 5

2594. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state whether the Ministry consider to take up the matter with Planning Commission/Department of Economic Affairs for allocation of funds for implementation of National Waterway No. 5 Project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI MUKUL ROY): Yes, Sir. A proposal for development of commercially viable stretches of the National Waterway - 5 has already been submitted to the Department of Economic Affairs for consideration under their scheme for India Infrastructure Project Development Fund (IIPDF) and Public Private Partnership (PPP) Pilot Project Initiative under the Asian Development Bank (ADB) Technical Assistance.

Mormugao Port

2595. SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR: Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of the 2nd Core Terminal Project at Berth No. 7 at the Mormugao port;
 - (b) the reasons for the delay; and
 - (c) the details of Government's action?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING (SHRI G.K. VASAN): (a) The proposal 'Development of Coal Terminal at Berth No.7 in the Port of Mormugao' was awarded to Design, Build, Finance, Operate and Transfer (DBFOT) Operator in May, 2010. As per the original time frame, the project is to be completed within 36 months *i.e.* by May, 2013.

- (b) There is some delay in the construction activities as Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) clearance is still awaited from the statutory authorities under Government of Goa.
- (c) Government has taken up the matter with the State Government of Goa for expediting the CRZ clearance for the project. The State Government of Goa has constituted an Empowered Committee under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary, Government of Goa to resolve the issues.

Regional office for Eastern Region at Bhubaneshwar

2596. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry is considering to take expeditious steps to execute the projects; and
- (b) whether the Ministry is considering to establish it's regional office for the Eastern region at Bhubaneshwar for better coordination on National Waterway No. 5?