

(c) Three (3) Coastal Economic Zones (CEZs) have been identified in Gujarat. The probable districts to be covered in these CEZs are Junagarh, Porbandar, Jamnagar, Rajkot, Amreli, Bhavnagar, Ahmedabad, Anand, Vadodra, Bharuch, Surat, Navsari and Valsad.

Project awarded by Ministry of Defence

1421. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry of Defence has awarded ₹ 50,000 crore projects to this Ministry;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the details of other projects proposed to be awarded by that Ministry;

(c) whether private sector is also involved in such projects;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of MoUs, if any, entered into between the Ministry of Defence and this Ministry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA): (a) to (d) No, Sir, Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL), the only Shipyard under Ministry of Shipping, is building the prestigious Indigenous Aircraft Carrier (IAC) for the Indian Navy, 20 Fast Patrol Vessels for the Indian Coast Guard. These were awarded to CSL through competitive bidding process. CSL also contracted a specialized vessel for the DRDO recently. The IAC is at the outfitting stage and 19 of the 20 Fast Patrol Vessels have already been delivered to the Coast Guard.

(e) No MoU has been entered between Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Shipping.

Coastal Economic Zone

†1422. SHRI RAM VICHAR NETAM: Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to build any major Coastal Economic Zone so that exports can be increased in some areas particularly in the fields of electronics and textiles and our presence could be registered in the leading global markets;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.