

(a) whether any kind of new and innovative measures have been undertaken by Ministry in general and/or its various departments or Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) and autonomous bodies associated with it to improve work culture, bring more transparency and accountability and also enhance result orientation during the last five years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the impact of these efforts?

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI): (a) to (c) During the last 5 years, the Ministry as well as NHAI have taken various new and innovative measures to improve work culture, enhance transparency, accountability and result orientations. Some of these measures are (i) BHOOMI RASHI portal (for online processing of land acquisition notifications and payment of compensation to the land owners), (ii) ERP Software (Enterprise Resource Planning Software - an integrated digital platform to manage and control various NH projects.), (iii) A centralised command and control centre in NHAI for close monitoring of various ongoing projects, and (iv) GATI software (for project monitoring regarding extension of time and change of scope).

These measures have helped in bringing in more transparency and accountability in overall working and speedy execution of various NH projects.

Driving training centres in Bihar

†3342. SHRI SATISH CHANDRA DUBEY: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of number of driving training centres and institutes of driving training and research centres in operation in the State of Bihar, district-wise; and

(b) if not, whether any centre is proposed?

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI): (a) to (b) The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has launched a scheme for setting up of Driving Training Centre (DTC) to provide quality training to commercial vehicle drivers, improve road and environment safety and strengthen overall

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mobility on roads. However, no project has been sanctioned under the scheme as on date due to stay on the operation of the scheme by Madras High Court.

Further, one Institute of Driving Training and Research (IDTR) at Aurangabad in Bihar was sanctioned in July, 2011 by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways. As per report from Central Institute of Road Transport, Pune, IDTR has been inaugurated in May, 2018.

Impact of Coronavirus on Indian ports

3343. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that outbreak of Coronavirus (COVID-19) will impact Indian Port operations:

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of action Government has taken or proposes to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI MANSUKH MANDAVIYA): (a) and (b) There is no impact on Cargo Vessels. However, as per the directions of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, International cruise vessels arriving from foreign destinations are not allowed to call Indian Ports till 31st March 2020.

(c) Ministry of Shipping has issued necessary directions from time to time to all ports to put in place a screening, detection and quarantine system for disembarking Seafarer or cruise passengers, to obtain self declaration from arriving crews/passengers, to install thermal scanners and procure Personal Protection Equipment readiness, N-95 masks, create awareness among the travelers at Ports and Port officials. Further, Major ports under the administrative control of Ministry of Shipping have taken several steps like formation of SoP for disease surveillance/Vessel and crew/passenger management, thermal scanning while moving outside port prohibited area, isolation wards at port hospitals, IEC activities through electronic/print media/LED display boards of port trust and display in port hospital.

Status of the vessels arriving at Ports and screening of the crew members/passengers as per the guidelines of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in