

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 584**  
ANSWERED ON 07/02/2023

**REPAIR OF US NAVY SHIP**

584. SMT. JEBI MATHER HISHAM:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) how the contract of repair of the US navy ship was awarded to a private Ship Builder at Kattupalli in Tamil Nadu, despite having six major high-tech shipyards in the Public Sector, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Public Sector Ship Builders came forward to get the contract of repair of the US navy ship which was part of the Indo-US strategic partnership, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons for opting out from the bid?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS  
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

(a) & (b) The Public Sector Shipyards Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL), Hindustan Shipyard Limited (HSL), Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL), Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Limited (GRSE) and Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL) were considered for carrying out the repairs of US Navy Ship. Factors like infrastructure and location were considered, apart from requisite clearances. Two Shipyards i.e. MDL and L&T Limited, met the requisite criteria.

The bids for repair of the US ship were submitted by both MDL and L&T Limited. L&T Limited was finally awarded the contract for the repair of the US Navy Ship by the United States.

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