

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1759
ANSWERED ON- 06/08/2024

CAPACITY UTILIZATION OF VISAKHAPATNAM PORT

1759. SHRI YERRAM VENKATA SUBBA REDDY:

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

- (a) the reasons that the capacity utilization of Visakhapatnam port has come down to around 47 per cent in 2019-20 in spite of traffic handling gone up to 66 million tons in 2019- 20 and also freight handling capacity;
- (b) the status of capacity utilization from 2020-21 to 2023-24 and till July, 2024, year-wise;
- (c) the status of investment projects awarded to the tune of ₹2000 crores during the last five years in Visakhapatnam port; and
- (d) the efforts being made to push in capacity utilization of Visakhapatnam port?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Capacity Utilization has increased from 49.81% to 54.19% % in Visakhapatnam Port in 2019-20.
- (b) The status of capacity utilization during the year 2020-21 to 2023-24 and till July, 2024 is as under.

Year	Capacity Utilization (%)
2020-21	52.0
2021-22	51.4
2022-23	51.3
2023-24	59.4
(April to June. 2024)	59.1

- (c) Total 26 projects to the tune of Rs. 1354.73 crore have been taken up by Visakhapatnam Port in the last 5 years, out of which 15 projects have been completed and 11 projects are under implementation.
- (d) Efforts are being made to reduce Turn Around Time and improve Output Per Ship Berth Day (OSBD) through Automation, Mechanization, process improvement and employing Ease of Doing Business measures.
