



Increasing efficiency of Major Ports

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The Government is making continuous efforts to improve the efficiency of major ports in the country. A study was done for benchmarking their efficiency and productivity to international levels, and improving their efficiency. The Government regularly monitors port projects that aim to modernize and upgrade the infrastructure through modernization and construction of new berths and terminals, installation of state of the art equipment, mechanization of cargo handling systems etc. including dredging projects to accommodate large vessels.

The study has identified a total of 116 port wise action points/initiatives of which 86 initiatives have already been completed. These implemented initiatives have also resulted in improved efficiency and additional operating surplus. The Cargo handled by the Major Ports during the last three years, port wise is as under:

(In Million Tonnes)

Major Ports	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Kolkata	46.29	50.29	50.95
Paradip	71.01	76.39	88.96
Visakhapatnam	58.00	57.03	61.02
Kamarajar (Ennore)	30.25	32.21	30.02
Chennai	52.54	50.06	50.21
V.O. Chidambaranar	32.41	36.85	38.46
Cochin	21.60	22.10	25.01
New Mangalore	36.57	35.58	39.95
Mormugao	14.71	20.77	33.18
Mumbai	61.66	61.11	63.05
JNPT	63.80	64.03	62.15
Deendayal (Kandla)	92.50	100.05	105.44
Overall:	581.34	606.47	648.40

This information was given by Minister of State for Shipping, Road Transport & Highways and C&F Shri Mansukh L Mandaviya in a written reply to a question in the Rajya Sabha today.

