# Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways Monthly Achievements for the month of October, 2022

## **Development of Container Terminal at Tuna-Tekra:**

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, on 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2022, approved development of Container Terminal at Tuna-Tekra, Deendayal Port, on Build, Operate & Transfer (BOT) basis under Public-Private-Partnership (PPP) mode. An estimated cost of Rs 4,243.64 crore will be borne by the Concessionaire and the Concessioning Authority will provide funds of around Rs 296.20 crore for development of common user facilities associated with the project. The Project will help in overcoming the capacity shortage that is likely to arise in the future with the projected growth in the traffic. This Multipurpose Cargo Berth Off Tuna-Tekra in Gulf of Kutch at Kandla will give it a strategic advantage as it will be the closest container terminal serving the vast hinterland of northern part of India (States of Jammu & Kashmir, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan).

### **Development of Multipurpose Cargo Berth Off Tuna-Tekra:**

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs approved, on 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2022, the development of Multipurpose Cargo (other than Container/Liquid) Berth off Tuna-Tekra in Gulf of Kutch at Kandla on Build, Operate and Transfer (BOT) basis under Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode. The project cost of Rs.1719.22 crore, including dredging work alongside the berth, turning circles and approach channel, will be borne by the Concessionaire. Deendayal Port Authority, the Concessioning Authority, will bear the expenditure of Rs.531.42 crore towards capital dredging of common user access channel and construction of common user road. Project, once commissioned, shall cater to the future growth in multipurpose cargo (other than container/liquid).

# Foundation stone laid by Hon'ble President of India:

Hon'ble President laid the foundation stone of four Deendayal Port projects on 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2022. These capacity augmentation projects, worth more than Rs. 280 crore, will enhanceport's logistics performance and shall help in accelerating the overall Economic Growth in the entire hinterland. While adding to the cargo handling capacity, these projects will also help in improving the turnaround time of the ships and enable faster evacuation of the cargo.

#### **Review of National Maritime Heritage Complex project by Hon'ble PM:**

Hon'ble Prime Minister reviewed the progress of National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC) project on 18<sup>th</sup> October,2022. Theproject located at Lothal (Gujarat), the historic Indus Valley Civilization region, is being executed under the Sagarmala Scheme and is being developed by this Ministry in collaboration with Government of Gujarat.

# **Solar-Electric Hybrid High Speed Ferry and Floating Jetties:**

Hon'ble Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways launched a Solar-Electric Hybrid High Speed Ferry and inaugurated a Floating Jetty project at Panaji on 13<sup>th</sup> Oct 2022. Both projects are expected to boost tourism in Goa while making transport more environment friendly. Funded by the Inland Waterways Authority of India, the three jetties have been built at a project cost of Rs. 9.6 Crore. The jetties are solid concrete structures that float on water, are easy to install and have minimal environmental impact in their construction. The Solar-Electric Hybrid High Speed Ferry project is funded by the Government of Goa at a cost of over Rs. 3.9 crores and has a carrying capacity of 60 passengers. The Hybrid design allows for reduction in operating costs by eliminating the dependence on fossil fuels and presents a more environment friendly form of transport.

## **Port Performance:**

The traffic handled at Major Ports during the period "April to October" has increased by **9.78** % in the current financial year (FY 2022-23) as compared to the same period last year. It has gone up from 406.7 million Tonnes last year to 446.5 million Tonnes this year.

# **Inland Water Transport:**

The cargo movement on National Waterways during April to September, 2022 has been 60.25 Million Tonne, an increase of 30% as compared to 46.34 Million Tonne during the same period last year. During the month of October 2022, a total of fifty-eightBangladeshi vessels, loaded with stone aggregates weighing 14327.15 MT, sailed from Dhubri (India) to Chilmari (Bangladesh).