## Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways Monthly Summary for the month of February 2025

- 1. **Port Performance:** The traffic handled at Major Ports upto February 2025 in FY 2024-25 has increased to 771.01 MMT against 745.31 MMT during the same period of last FY registering an increase of 3.45%.
- **2.** The cargo transportation on National waterways was 120.09 MT upto January 2025 as compared to 111.72 MT during the same period of last FY registering an increase of 7.5%.
- 3. Bharat Global Ports Consortium was launched by Hon'ble Minister of Ports, Shipping & Waterways to strengthen global trade by expanding India's maritime reach and enhancing global trade resilience. A landmark MoU was signed between Indian Ports Global Ltd. (IPGL), Indian Port Rail & Ropeway Corporation Ltd. (IPRCL), and Sagarmala Development Company Ltd. (SDCL) on February 23, 2025.
- 4. To standardize and streamline operations across India's major ports 'One Nation-One Port Process (ONOP) was launched. This step aims to remove inconsistencies in documentation and processes across Major Ports, which led to inefficiencies, increased costs, and operational delays. The Ministry has streamlined documentation, cutting container operation documents by 33% (from 143 to 96) and bulk cargo documents by 29% (from 150 to 106).
- 5. The Sagar Ankalan Logistics Port Performance Index (LPPI) for FY 2023-24 was introduced on February 27, 2025 to assess port performance and improve operational efficiency. It evaluates key metrics like cargo handling, turnaround time, berth idle time, and ship berth-day output.
- 6. JNPA signed a MoU with UAE based NMDC Group PJSC (formerly National Marine Dredging Company Public Joint Stock Company) for development of Vadhavan Port. NMDC Group PJSC has proposed to invest an estimated ₹ 21,000 crore for the development of the land offshore of Vadhvan coast by dredging, reclamation, and shore protection.
- **7.** VoCPA made history as the first Indian major port to achieve over 1 MW of rooftop solar power capacity, with the recent addition of a 400 KW off-grid rooftop solar power system.
- 8. Deendayal Port Authority (DPA) in collaboration with Swayam Shipping Services Pvt. Ltd. (SSSPL), flagged off the deployment of four SDLG L956HEV electric wheel loaders with charging infrastructure. This initiative is set to reduce carbon emissions of DPA by 560 Tonnes per year, ushering in a new era of green cargo handling and energy-efficient port operations.
- 9. Significant progress was made in the projects under the Sagarmala scheme; Approximately ₹ 562.3 crore has been released till February 2025 to the States of Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, West Bengal, Gujarat, Goa, Kerala, Odisha, Tamil Nadu and DDUGKY.
- **10.**IWT terminal at Jogighopa was inaugurated by Hon'ble Minister of Ports, Shipping & Waterways on February 18, 2025.

- **11.** India has been elected as Vice President of International Organisation for Maritime Aids to Navigation (IALA) in its 1st session of General Assembly held in February 2025 at Singapore after becoming an Inter-Governmental organization.
- **12.**Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL) won the Industrial safety award, among big industries in the engineering, automobile repairing and servicing, textile and coir sectors, instituted by the Department of Factories and Boilers under the Kerala State Government for the year 2024 on February 18, 2025.
- **13.** International Passenger Ferry Service between Nagapattinam, India and Kankesanthurai, Srilanka resumed on February 22, 2025.

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