

MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, 2020

Ports

a. Cargo handling

(i) Paradip Port has emerged as the No. 1 Major Port in the country, handling 25.73 million tonnes of traffic in Q-1 of 2020-21. However, the cargo handled in Q-1 is 8.76% less than the corresponding period in 2019-20.

(ii) New Mangalore Port has handled 9.30 million tonnes of traffic during Q-1 of 2020-21 which is 5.1 % higher than the corresponding period in 2019-20, inspite of the impact of lock down.

(iii) JNPT handled a record 511 rakes in the month of June-2020 overtaking the previous highest monthly handling of 499 rakes in May-2020. The average rail coefficient during the first three months of FY 2020-21 was 23.40% as compared to the average rail coefficient of 16.04% in FY 2019-20.

(iv) V.O.Chidambaranar Porthas notched a back to back record by unloading 55,785 Tonnes of Coal in 24 hours at Berth No.9 from the vessel "Myrsini" on 19.06.2020, surpassing the earlier record of 55,363 tonnes of Coal handled at Berth No.9 from the vessel "Green K Max S" on 12.06.2020.

(v) Haldia Dock Complex handled a parcel load of 38207 MT of Steam Coal on 26.06.2020 which is one of the highest parcel loads handled by HDC in a decade. This has been possible due to improved draft.

(vi) Chennai Port has set another landmark achievement by handling 1,14,000 Tonnes of Crude Oil on a single day.

b. Deendayal Port to develop Ro-Ro Facilities on Lease Basis at Hazira, Gujarat: Deendayal Port Trust (DPT) Board has approved a proposal to take over the Gogha-Dahej RO-RO Project from Government of Gujarat to transport the General Public and Commercial Vehicle through ferries which can save time substantially and connect the far flung areas by covering through Ferry project.

c. Conversion of Multi skill training centre into COVID Care Centre: JNPT has converted its Multi Skill Training Centre at Bokadvira into a COVID CARE Hospital with 120 beds and ambulance service and handed it over temporarily, to the State Government authorities for the protection of the local community.

Shipping

(i) Shipping Corporation of India (SCI): SCI successfully carried out four STS/lighterage point operations at Vadinar for charterers Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) and Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Ltd. (MRPL), overcoming several challenges faced in view of Covid-19 induced restrictions for mobilization of men and material. SCI catered to all coastal crude oil movements planned during the

months of June 2020 including all lighterage point operations at Vadinar, resulting in lifting of ONGC's monthly crude off-take for June 2020. This in turn ensured regular supply of coastal crude to the Indian refineries, a major feat considering the exceptional circumstances of lockdown during the period. SCI and MRPL have agreed on a Contract of Affreightment (COA) for coastal crude transportation. The duration of COA will be from 01.01.2020 to 31.03.2021 and the quantum of coastal crude transported under it will be about 3.5 MMT.

(ii) Directorate General of Shipping: In view of the measures taken by the Government to allow crew change for Indian crew at Indian ports and anchorages, and movement of seafarers through Vande Bharat Mission flights and charter flights, so far, 7,280 Indian seafarers have signed off at Indian Ports and another 10,824 repatriated through charter flights. The pro-active steps taken by the Maritime Administration and the Ministry of Shipping during the COVID-19 crises has also enabled the Indian seafarers to retain their jobs on foreign flag vessels. So far, during the lockdown period, 4,562 seafarers have signed on at Indian Ports and 2,689 have signed on using chartered flights. In order to facilitate crew change and chartering of flights as per SoPs, the DG Shipping has developed two new e-modules to verify passengers manifest using a new online verification module, and issue e-passes for inter-state & intra-state road transport for seafarers.

Sagarmala

(i) Projects under Sagarmala Programme: Two Sagarmala projects, viz. Providing a direct connection between OEC and Western Sector jointing at NAD Curve from East Coast Railways (Cost: Rs 21.61 cr.) and Extension of line nos. 11 to 15 to full length at R&D yard (Cost: Rs 13.54 cr.) at Visakhapatnam Port have been completed.

A state of art, Sagarmala E-Portal (Phase-I) for monitoring and management of Sagarmala Projects has been hosted publicly on www.sagarmalaprojects.gov.in.

(ii) National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC): To develop NMHC at Lothal, Gujarat, 'No Objection Certificates' were obtained from local Gram Panchayat and Irrigation Department for 375 acres of land in village Saragvada, which was transferred to Ministry of Shipping on lease for 99 years for development of land for NMHC site. Based on the measurement of land, revised master plan has been made. The revised application for Environment Clearance has also been filed with State Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Gujarat.

Inland Water Transport

(i) Multimodal Terminal at Sahibganj under Jal Marg Vikas Project (JMVP) : The proposal for Operation, Management & Development (OMD) of Sahibganj MMT under PPP Model was appraised and recommended for approval by the Competent Authority at the 94th meeting of the Public Private Partnership Appraisal Committee (PPPAC) chaired by Secretary (Economic Affairs) on 01.06.2020 .

(ii) Arth Ganga: The Jal Marg Vikas Project for augmentation of navigation capacity of National Waterway-1 (Ganga) was approved by the CCEA at an estimated cost of Rs. 5369.18 crore, to be partly funded by a loan from the World Bank. The expected expenditure on the various components/ sub projects under JMVP has been reviewed and their cost is now been revised at Rs. 4633.81 crore. The resultant savings of Rs. 735.37 crore (USD 109.78 million) comprise of Rs. 387.10 crore (USD 57.78 million) from the IBRD loan component and Rs. 348.41 crore from the counterpart fund component from GoI. The revised cost estimate includes several activities aligned to the Arth Ganga Concept estimated to cost Rs. 746.00 crore. Ministry of Shipping has conveyed this position to the Department of Economic Affairs on 15.06.2020. In turn, DEA has requested the World Bank on 17.06.2020 for cancellation of USD 57.78 million from the overall IBRD loan for the JMVP.