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VISAKHAPATNAM

Press Brief on Visit of Hon'ble Minister of State for Road Transport & Highways, Shipping and Chemicals & Fertilizers (Shri Mansukh Mandaviya) to Vishakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh

Shri Mansukh Mandaviya, Hon'ble Minister of State for Road Transport & Highways, Shipping and Chemical & Fertilizers, Government of India visited the head office of Dredging Corporation of India and its dredging site along the beach road. While witnessing the beach nourishment activity carried out by DCI Dredge-17, near the Kurusura Submarine Museum, he interacted with the top officials of DCI and VPT regarding the operational details of dredging carried out. Shri Rajesh Tripathi, CMD, Dredging Corporation of India Limited apprised him about the progress of the beach nourishment taken up by DCI for Visakhapatnam Port Trust. On this occasion, the Hon'ble Minister also participated in cleanliness drive of the beach area as part of the "SWACHHTA PAKHWADA" initiative which is being celebrated throughout the country. The Hon'ble Minister also inspected the Public Toilet facility constructed by DCI near RK Beach as part of SWACHH BHARAT mission. Later in the day Hon'ble Minister along with Shri K. Haribabu, Member of Parliament, Visakhapatnam Constituency conducted a review meeting of DCI, National Highway works in Andhra Pradesh and Petroleum, Chemicals & Petrochemical Investment Region (PCPIR) in the office of DCI.

2. During the review, CMD, DCIL briefed the Hon'ble Minister about the various diversified activities taken up by DCI in the fields of dredging, land reclamation, beach nourishment , recent international dredging contracts bagged by DCIL and the CSR activities. CMD informed that the company cater to the maintenance dredging requirements of all major ports. He stated that the Company is also getting works on tender basis both national and internationally like that in Mongla Port, Bangladesh. He stated that the experience and caliber of the employees and assets of the Company are sufficient to cater to all the maintenance dredging requirements of the Country's major ports. Hon'ble Minister stated that DCI as the only PSU dredging Company is of strategic importance and appreciated the commitment of the senior management and the employees in the performance and growth of the Company and also serving the Ports which are the lifeline for the country and assured all the help and support of the Government in this regard.

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