

**PRESS RELEASE ON VPAs LAST ONE YEAR ACHIEVEMENTS**

The Visakhapatnam Port Authority handled 73.73 MT for the fiscal 2022-2023 and achieved 4th position among all the Major Ports of India and attained 2nd position on the East-Coast. During the financial year 2022-2023, the Port has made several significant milestones in handling volume of cargo and also actively contributed its own share in the nation's economic growth.

The following are the significant issues / milestones achieved during the fiscal 2022-2023.

Volume of Cargo handled:

Port of Visakhapatnam handled 73.73 Million Tones for the FY 2022-2023 as against 69.03 Million Tones during the corresponding period of previous year. **Registered a Positive growth of over 7%.**

Improved Cargoes:

(in Lakh tonnes)

Cargo	2021-22	2022-23	% of improvement
Steam Coal	70.05	117.10	67%
POL & Crude Oil	142.49	161.25	13%
Coking Coal	44.28	49.01	11%
Fertilizers & Raw	26.58	28.17	6%

RECORD PERFORMANCE OF TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT [SHIPPING]

A record quantity of 20,050 Tons with a gang hook output of 1,671 Tons of Chrome Ore in bulk discharged from m.v DESPINA K at East Quay-6 on 25th February, 2022.

A record quantity of 16,478 Ton FLY ASH in Bulk with a gang hook output of 1,831 Ton was loaded into m.v KINGFISHER at West Quay- 6 on 23rd December 2022.

A record quantity of 15,446 Tons of FERRO MANGANESE SLAG in bulk was discharged from m.v FJ STAR at West Quay-1 on 25th September, 2022.

A record quantity of 7,500 Ton of HIGH CARBON FERRO MANGANESE in Bulk was loaded into m.v ALAM SAYANG at East Quay-7 on 16th October, 2022.

A record quantity of 23,030 Ton of IRON ORE OXIDE FINES in bulk was discharged from m.v AGIA EIRINI FORCE at West Quay-3 on 1st December, 2022.

A record quantity of 29,500 Ton Iron Ore [Pellets] in Bulk was loaded into m.v VISHVA VIJETA at West Quay- 1 on 17th October, 2022.

A record quantity of 8,864 Tons with a gang hook output of 739 m.t STEEL BLOOMS was loaded into m.v MXD XIAMEN at East Quay 6 on 10th March, 2023.

A record quantity of 44,374 Tons with a gang hook output of 3,698 Tons of IronOre [Pellets] in Bulk was loaded into m.v JAL KALPATARU at West Quay- 2 on 26th April, 2023.

A record quantity of 36,177 Tons PETROLEUM COKE in bulk was discharged from m.v AN CHANG at East Quay-1 on 29th April, 2023.



SPECIAL CAMPAIGN 2.0 – Special Campaign 2.0 was undertaken and implemented by VPA from 2nd October to 31st October, 2022 for effective disposal of pending references from Members of Parliament, State Govt., Inter-Ministerial Consultations (IMC), Parliamentary Assurances, Public Grievances and de-cluttering the workplace by disposing off offices crap and weeding out of old records.

Special Cleanliness Campaigns 2.0 has been conducted by all the Departments at various locations such as Dock Area, S.G. Puram Colony, Fishing Harbour, ORS, Railway Outdoor Section, Fire Service Section and indoor and outdoor premises of AOB Building.

N-Space freed:

Space freed due to scrap disposal and weeding of files at MM Division, CISF along with other sections have been shifted from DLB Building to Administrative Office Building and Ambedkar Bhavan respectively.

SWACHH SAGAR, SURAKSHIT SAGAR

“**Swachh Sagar, Surakshit Sagar /Clean Coast, Safe Sea**”, campaign was organized by Visakhapatnam Port Authority on the call given by Hon’ble Prime Minister, by collecting 73.55 tons of plastic waste and 159.70 tons of other kind of wastes from 4th Aug, 2022 to 17th September, 2022.

SWACHH BHARAT

VPA is the only Port regularly cleaning the VPA Office premises / work locations every **Friday** to fulfil the Government’s objective and meeting the Hon’ble Prime Minister aspirations in keeping the work premises so neat and clean.

HAR GHAR TIRANGA

VPA has distributed 5,000 National Flags under Har Ghar Tiranga campaign as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav to commemorate 75th India’s Independence. To inculcate the spirit of **Jan Bhagidhari**, Employees, Unions and Port related Operators are to hoist the National Flag at their residences on Independence Day.

Modernisation activities in the Port

Handling of bigger vessels made possible in the Inner Harbour, from 31st December, 2022 Baby Cape vessel (LOA 260m, Beam 43m) handling also commenced.

Hon’ble Prime Minister laid the Foundation Stone for Modernization of Fishing Harbour under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) with an investment of Rs.151.00 Crores.

As part of making the port as Land lord model, three PPP projects awarded with an investment of Rs.655.00 Crores and another 2 Projects are in advanced stage of award.

To mitigate pollution from cargo storage, construction of covered storage sheds works awarded to store 15 lakh tonnes of cargo with an investment of Rs.120.00 Crores.

Projects on hand / completed

On hand:



Construction of Covered Storage shed of size 400x40x17m including necessary drains, road and water supply at R-11 area in Port (Shed No.1). Ø Construction of covered storage shed of size 200x30x17m at R-2 area in Port.

Construction of covered storage shed of size 200x40x17m at R-10 area in Port.

Improvement to Port Road from WQ-5 junction to ESSAR junction.

Improvement of Visakhapatnam Railway tracks & rectification of sharp curves more than 10 degrees.

Up-gradation of East yard railway tracks in VPA.

Rehabilitation of Deck structure of Sardar Vallabhai Patel Bridge (Parallel Bridge).

Projects Completed:

Repairs and rehabilitation of ORS side Jetty in Entrance Channel of VPA.

Providing new Fire Fighting facilities suitable to the upgrading capacities of berths OR-1 & OR-2.

Major Development Projects

Development of EQ-

1A berth in Inner harbor for handling Thermal / Steam Coal at an estimated cost of Rs.366.40 Crores with a capacity of 5.00 MTPA.

Installation of Mechanized Fertilizer Handling Facility at EQ-

7 berth in Inner Harbour at an estimated cost of Rs.200.99 Crores with a capacity of 3.61 MTPA.

Development of WQ-7 & 8 berth in Inner Harbour at an estimated cost of Rs.288.47 Crores with a capacity of 6.30 MTPA.

Revamping of existing WQ-6 on DBFOT for handling of dry bulk cargo in Inner harbor at a projected cost of Rs.250.00 crores with a capacity of 5.5 MTPA.

Development and Mechanization of existing EQ-6 berth in the Inner Harbour for handling all types of cargoes at a projected cost Rs.250.00 Crores with a capacity of 5 MTPA.

Construction of covered storage sheds in Port area at an estimated cost of the Project Rs.150.00 Crores in an area of 12 acres.

Development of Truck Parking Terminal in an area of 20 acres at a cost of Rs.36.00 Crores in order to ease Truck traffic congestion on roads and to reduce time in reaching the destination point

Electrification of railway lines in VPA area for a length of 38 TKM at a cost of Rs.21.30 Crores, to reduce pollution and effective handling of cargo.

Installation of Harbour Mobile Cranes at East Quay and West Quay berths to improve the discharge rate and also increase the handling of volumes.