



## **Manual 1**

### **Particulars of organization, functions and duties**

**[Section 4(1)(b)(I)]**

#### **Historical background of setting up of New Mangalore Port Trust:**

Old Mangalore Port, which is classified as a minor port, is situated on the eastern bank of the Gurpur river. The rivers, Gurpur and Nethravathi, join the sea about 1.5 Km. South of the Port. The operation of the port is seasonal and remains open for traffic only during the non-monsoon period from September to May. The cargo is to be transported by lighters between the shore and the ship which is normally anchored about 8 km from the port. With the increase in the traffic, number of alternatives were considered to develop the old Mangalore Port into an all weather port by various committees including the West Coast Major Port Development Committee and the Intermediate Port Development Committee etc. After evaluation of the various alternatives, a site, which is 10 km. North of the existing port, was proposed to be developed as an artificial all weather major port. This port was named as the New Mangalore Port to distinguish it from the minor port of Mangalore (old Mangalore Port).

The project establishment for the New Mangalore Port (called as the Mangalore Harbour Project till its declaration as the Major Port) was set up in the year 1962, and the Port is located at Panambur on the West Coast of India, 170 nautical miles South of Mormugao and 191 nautical miles North of Cochin Port. The marine works on the project were commenced during 1968.

#### **Act under which New Mangalore Port was set up**

According to Article 364(2)(a) of the Constitution of India 'major ports' means a port declared to be a major port by or under any law made by Parliament or any existing law and includes all areas for the time being included within the limits of such port.

A port is declared as a 'major port' under 3(8) of the Indian Ports Act, 1908, which is an Act of Parliament. According to Indian Ports Act, 'major port' means any port, which the Central Government may by notification in the Official Gazette declare, or may under any law for the time being in force have been declared to be a major port. The New Mangalore Port was declared as the 9<sup>th</sup> Major Port on 4<sup>th</sup> May 1974 and was formally inaugurated on the 11<sup>th</sup> January 1975. Till March 1980, the port was centrally administered by the Govt. of India and the Port Trust Board was formed on 01-04-1980.



## **Aims & Objectives**

**The aims and objectives of the Port are:**

- ➔ Act as a port conservator
- ➔ Provide services to shipping such as pilotage, towage, berthing, craning, equipment and labour and labour for loading/unloading in to and from vessels, transit sheds and warehouses for storage of import/export cargo
- ➔ Take custody as bailee of cargo landed from ships or brought into the docks for shipment till such time as the cargo is made over to the consignee or put on board the vessel