



Krishnapatnam Port

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The Adani Group of Companies has expressed its interest in the Krishnapatnam port, as part of its plan to expand its reach in the east coast.

- Krishnapatnam Port is located in Nellore District in **Andhra Pradesh**.
- The Port has been named so as the **Vijayanagar Emperor, Sri Krishnadevaraya** used to operate this port.
- In the 1980s, the Government of India declared the Port as a '**minor port**'.
The **Union Government** is responsible for **development of 12 Major Ports** whereas **minor ports** are under the **jurisdiction of respective State Governments**.

Vijayanagar Empire

- Vijayanagara or "**city of victory**" was the **name of both a city and an empire**.
- The empire was **founded in the fourteenth century (1336 AD)** by **Harihara and Bukka** of **Sangama dynasty**.
They made **Hampi** as the capital city. In 1986, Hampi was declared a **World Heritage site by UNESCO**.
- It stretched from the river Krishna in the north to the extreme south of the peninsula.
- Vijayanagar Empire was ruled by **four important dynasties** and they are:
 - Sangama
 - Saluva
 - Tuluva
 - Aravidu
- **Krishnadevaraya (ruled 1509-29)** of the **Tuluva dynasty** was the most famous ruler of Vijayanagar. His rule was characterised by expansion and consolidation.
- He is credited with **building some fine temples** and adding impressive gopurams to many important south Indian temples. He also founded a **suburban township** near Vijayanagar called **Nagalapuram** after his mother.
- He composed a work on statecraft in Telugu known as the **Amuktamalyada**.

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