

Norway supports nine port improvement projects through a subsidy scheme

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The Norwegian government has committed a total of NOK 155 million to support nine projects through a subsidy scheme for efficient and environmentally friendly ports. The projects receiving support are spread across large parts of the country, from Oslo and Kristiansand to Ørland and Bodø (among others).

The subsidy scheme provides financial support for investments in port infrastructure and can be used for both physical facilities and digital solutions.

The scheme aims to support the country's goal for green transition and strengthen the role of maritime transport in the national transport system.

The Norwegian Coastal Administration, an agency of the Norwegian Ministry of Transport, manages the scheme, and the award is made according to criteria that emphasize implementation capacity, societal benefit and how the project will contribute to a more efficient and environmentally friendly transport chain.

When the application deadline expired on 26 February, the Norwegian Coastal Administration had received 19 applications for grants totalling more than 300 million kroner.

After assessment, 9 projects have now been granted support totalling approximately NOK 155 million.

Of these, two of the projects are one-year investments and seven are two-year investments. The projects with one-year investments must be completed by 30 November 2026, and the two-year investments must be completed by 30 November 2027.

“State support for investments in port infrastructure is crucial for realizing good projects that would otherwise not have been implemented. Efficient and environmentally friendly ports are important for businesses that depend on safe and efficient transport to and from the market,” says the Minister of Fisheries and Ocean Policy Marianne Sivertsen Næss.