

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS  
RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 794  
ANSWERED ON 13/12/2022

**DREDGING OF BARAK RIVER**

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Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of the dredging project on the Barak River in Assam;
- (b) by when Government plans to complete the renovation of the Indian Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) terminals at Badarpur along National Waterway (NW)- 16; and
- (c) the details regarding the utilisation of funds disbursed by the World Bank to improve the waterways in Assam?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS  
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

- (a) The assured depth dredging work of river Barak (NW-16) from Badarpur to Bhanga (10.5 km) has been awarded to Dredging Corporation of India.
- (b) The scheduled completion of the work of upgradation/ renovation of Badarpur & Karimganj terminals is March 2023.
- (c) The details regarding the utilization of funds disbursed by the World Bank to improve the waterways in Assam is at Annexure attached.

Annexure

Project components	Project cost (INR in Cr.)	Total Fund received from World Bank	Utilization (As on 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct, 2022)	
			Rs. in Cr.	%
Institutional, regulatory & safety strengthening	147	140.00 Cr.	15.34	18.51
Fleet safety improvements and modernization	175		57.80	39.57
Improvements in terminal infrastructure	385		16.50	3.45
Project Management Support	63		24.90	39.73
Total	770		114.54	14.88

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