GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2871 ANSWERED ON 25.03.2025

DREDGING WORK IN DABHOL CREEK

2871. SHRI DHAIRYASHIL MOHAN PATIL:

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

- (a) whether Government is planning to carry out dredging work in Dabhol Creek to facilitate smooth functioning of inland waterways services in Konkan, Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the current status of the said dredging project, the budget allocated, and the estimated timeline for its completion; and
- (c) the other infrastructure development works being undertaken by Government to convert Dabhol Creek into an effective inland water transport route?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c). Inland Waterways Authority of India, an autonomous organisation under Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways has approved in principle, a proposal for conducting feasibility study to assess traffic potential in the Dabhol Creek.
