GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2355

TO BE ANSWERED ON 16thMARCH, 2017

WORK ON BUCKINGHAM CANAL

2355. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state: पोतपरिवहनमंत्री

- (a) whether the Government proposes to start work on the Buckingham Canal for water transportation between Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time frame set for execution/completion of the said work?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a)to(c):Buckingham Canal is part of National Waterway-4 which comprises Kakinada-Puducherry canals along with rivers Godavari and Krishna in Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Tamil Nadu and the Union Territory of Puducherry. The waterway is proposed to be developed in three phases. The work on Buckingham Canal is proposed in Phase-3.

Preliminary activities such as hydrographic surveys on the stretch of Buckingham Canal from Pedaganjam to Puducherry have been completed. Delineation survey in the North Buckingham Canal has also been completed. Development of Buckingham Canal will be done on basis of outcome of these surveys in consultation with the respective State Government.
