

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1764

TO BE ANSWERED ON 28<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2017

BUCKINGHAM CANAL

1764. SHRI MALYADRI SRIRAM:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

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- (a) the total canal network of the erstwhile Buckingham canal in operation in Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) the quantum of cargo being carried through the said canals annually;
- (c) the details of expansion plans, the targets and the funds earmarked for this purpose for the next three fiscal years;
- (d) whether any foreign international institutions have offered funding for this purpose; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) National Waterway (NW)-4 covers a distance of 2890 km including the Buckingham Canal, Kakinada Puducherry Canal and stretches of Godavari & Krishna rivers.
- (b) The development works on NW-4 have just commenced. Hence, no cargo movement is taking place on NW-4 at present.
- (c) The development of NW-4 is to be undertaken in Phases. Under Phase-I, work at a cost of Rs. 96 crore has commenced between Muktyala to Vijaywada on Krishna river covering a distance of 82 km. The work for the next Phase is not yet sanctioned.
- (d)&(e): No international institutions have offered funding for development of NW-4.

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