

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2132

TO BE ANSWERED ON 8th MARCH, 2018

TRANSPORTATION OF GOODS THROUGH WATERWAYS

2132. DR. UDIT RAJ:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

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- (a) the total volume of goods carried by water transport during the last ten years;
(b) whether there has been a decline in the said volume over a period of time;
(c) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
(d) the remedial measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard and also to protect the livelihood of those engaged in the concerned industry?

ANSWER

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

- (a): The total quantity of cargo transported on National Waterways (NWs) since 2008-09 upto January, 2018 is 134.61 million tonnes. The year wise details are given below:-
(b)to(d): No, Madam. In fact, there has been a gradual increase in the overall quantity of cargo transported on NWs in the last few years.

Cargo transported on National Waterways (NWs)

(in Million Tonnes)

YEAR	NW-1	NW-2	NW-3	NWs in Goa#	NWs in Maharashtra#	Total
2008-09	1.35	2.18	0.77	-	-	4.30
2009-10	1.81	2.11	0.67	-	-	4.59
2010-11	1.87	2.16	0.89	-	-	4.92
2011-12	3.31	2.41	1.34	-	-	7.06
2012-13	2.72	2.43	1.24	-	-	6.39
2013-14	3.35	2.48	1.07	-	-	6.90
2014-15	5.05	0.52	0.97	-	-	6.54
2015-16	6.24	0.60	1.06	-	-	7.90
2016-17	4.62	0.61	1.03	15.65	33.29	55.20
2017-18*	2.49	0.48	0.38	6.3	21.16	30.81
					Grand Total	134.61

*Till January, 2018

Inland Waterways in Goa and Maharashtra were declared as "National Waterways" under the National Waterways Act, 2016 with effect from 12th April, 2016.
