

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4534

TO BE ANSWERED ON 22<sup>nd</sup> MARCH, 2018

LOGISTICS PARK

4534. SHRIMATI KAVITHA KALVAKUNTLA:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether any Multi-Modal Logistics Parks are proposed to be set up at Varanasi, Sahibganj and Haldia;
- (b) if so, the details and the present status thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has engaged KPMG as consultants for asset management and market development under Jal Marg Vikas Project (JMVP) funded by the World Bank; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING  
(SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

(a)&(b): A pre-feasibility study for setting up a Freight Village and Logistics Hub at Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh has been completed and land acquisition process has been initiated.

The proposals for setting up of Multi-Modal Logistic Parks at Sahibganj and Haldia are at a nascent stage.

(c)&(d): Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) has engaged KPMG, a reputed consultant, for providing an Asset Management and Operational framework for development for National Waterway-1 under Jal Marg Vikas Project in February, 2018. This framework will include various institutional and operational models ranging from outsourcing to Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) formulation with participating States and other authorities like Railways or Ports. The consultant will also help in developing the business plan for market development of NW-1 and suggesting suitable cost recovery and tariff realization mechanism.

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