## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SHIPPING LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.\*478 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2019

## **DEVELOPMENT OF WATERWAYS**

## \*478. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether the Government is working on any project to develop waterways by linking Yamuna and Ganga rivers under which both commercial and passenger transport services are likely to be made available;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether work on the said waterways project is going on smoothly and as per the target fixed in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

## **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR SHIPPING (SHRI MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha \*Starred Question No.\*478 for 25.07.2019 raised by Shrimati Hema Malini, Hon'ble M.P. on "Development of Waterways"

(a) to (d) River Yamuna from Jagatpur (Delhi) to Sangam (Prayagraj) is National Waterway-110 (NW-110) and it merges into Ganga River (NW-1) at Sangam (Prayagraj).

NW-1 is already operational for cargo and passenger transportation. To further augment the navigation capacity on the Haldia-Varanasi stretch of NW-1, Inland Waterways Authority of India is implementing the Jal Marg Vikas Project (JMVP) at an estimated cost of Rs.5369 crore. Under JMVP, various sub-projects worth Rs.1800 crore (approx.) have commenced on the ground in a time period of three years after statutory clearances.

A Detailed Project Report (DPR) of NW-110 (River Yamuna) has been taken up to assess the techno-economic feasibility of navigation.

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