

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SHIPPING  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5345  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2019

DRY AND RIVER PORTS IN NORTH-EASTERN STATES

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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

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- (a) the current status of all the dry and river ports in the North-Eastern States including Dawki dry port in Meghalaya along with the expected time of their completion; and
- (b) whether there is any plan to set up new ports in the North-Eastern States bordering Bangladesh, Myanmar, Bhutan or China and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) At present Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) has notified 40 Land Customs Stations (LCS)/Dry port in the North-Eastern States. These LCS caters to international trade through land route and/or inland waterways. The list of LCS along with details of route is enclosed as **Annexure**. Contract for the development work for Integrated Check Post (ICP) Dawki was awarded in September, 2016 by Land Ports Authority of India, a statutory body under the administrative control of Ministry of Home Affairs, with a time period of 24 months to execute and complete it by October, 2018. The contract has been terminated on 17.01.2019 on account of very slow progress of the work. The contractor has filed a Writ Petition in Meghalaya High Court against termination of the contract and the matter is sub-judice.

(b) Land Ports Authority of India has proposed to develop two land ports in North-Eastern States namely Sutarkandi in Karimganj district in Assam and Kawrpuichhuah in Lunglei district in Mizoram, both bordering Bangladesh.

List of Land Customs Stations (LCS) in North-Eastern States

Sl. No	NAME OF LCS	NEIGHBOURING COUNTRY	NOTIFIED ROUTES	
			Land Route	Riverine Route
1.	Agartala	Bangladesh	1. The Road between Agartala and Akhaura road Police Outpost.	Nil
2.	Baghmara	Bangladesh	Baghmara-Durgapur Road	Someshwari River
3.	Balat	Bangladesh	Shillong-Balat-Dangar-Lalpani Public Works Department Road upto Dalurain Bangladesh	Nil
4.	Bholaganj	Bangladesh	1. Dear Valley 2. Duba channel 3. Komorra Chhatak Ropeway 4. Public Works Department bridle path from Bholaganj to Companyanj	1. Darogakhal river 2. Dholai river 3. Sonal river.
5.	Borsora	Bangladesh	1. Cherragaon (India) to Cherragaon (Bangladesh) 2. Barsora (India)-Tahirpur via Barsora (Bangladesh). 3. Trolley track from Chalitacherra quarry to Samsar in Bangladesh 4. Trolley track from Gauripur (India) quarry to Samsar in Bangladesh.	Jadukata river
6.	Dalu	Bangladesh	Dalu-Naltabari road.	Bhugai river
7.	Dawki	Bangladesh	Shillong-Sylhet road	Piyan River
8.	Demagiri	Bangladesh	Nil	Karnaphuli river
9.	Dholaighat	Bangladesh	The road from Halhali to Kamalpur.	The river Dhalai from Halhali to Dhalai Checking Station.
10	Dhubri Steamerghat	Bangladesh	Dhubri-Rahumari-Bahadurabad section of the Steamer route on the river Brahmaputra.	Nil
11	Ghasuapara	Bangladesh	Ghasuapara- (Garo Hills. India) to Baluaghat (Mymensingh, Bangladesh)	Nil