

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 2799

ANSWERED ON 17/03/2023

NARAYANI RIVER FRONT

2799. Dr. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether the Narayani River Front of the district Gopalganj, Bihar has been considered for development of river front;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the total amount spent in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government is proposing to start ship movement from the Narayani River Front; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

(a) & (b) Under Namami Gange Program, the development of river front on Narayani River in the district of Gopalganj, Bihar has been undertaken and two Ghats have been constructed at a total cost of Rs. 6.62 crore.

(c) & (d) River Gandak (Narayani River) was declared as National Waterway (NW)-37 from Bhaisalotan Barrage to Gandak and Ganga river confluence at Hajipur along with 111 NWs in the country vide National Waterways Act, 2016. Based on the findings of the study reports of Gandak River, the waterways was found feasible for development of shipping and navigation. However, due to non-availability of the potential cargo as well as very low navigational/vertical clearance due to structure located across NW-37 i.e., Rewa Ghat Bridge, developmental activities initiated on the Gandak River (NW-37) have been kept in abeyance.
