

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 4944
ANSWERED ON 31/03/2023

DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL WATERWAYS

4944. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

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

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

- (a) the present status of progress made so far in the development of the already declared National waterways;
- (b) whether the Government has taken any step on priority basis to implement the development process of National Waterway (NW) No. 3, if so, the details thereof along with the steps being taken therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to promote the development of the national waterway portion within the Ernakulam parliamentary constituency;
- (d) if so, the details including the estimated expenditure, name of the project and location during each of the last three years; and
- (e) whether the Government has any plans to allocate additional resources for the development of the national waterway portion in Ernakulam, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) The present status of progress made in the development of the already declared National waterways as on 28.02.2023 is at **Annexure-1**.
- (b) Steps taken for development of National Waterway-3 (NW-3) are detailed at **Annexure-2**.
- (c) As the part of development of the National Waterway-3, steps taken in Ernakulam District are detailed at **Annexure-3**.

(d) The expenditure incurred on the projects for development of NW-3,8 & 9 in Kerala (including the project in Ernakulam district) during the last three years is detailed here under:

BudgetHead/Waterways	(inCroreRs.)		
	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
NW-3(WestCoastCanal),NW-8 &NW-9inKerala	26.06	21.52	10.83

(e) For continuation of on-going works of fairway development, Operations and Maintenance (O&M) of terminals and navigational aids etc. of NW-3 (including the portion in Ernakulam),Rs. 20 Crore has been approved under Delegated Investment Board (DIB) appraised projects.