

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2213
ANSWERED ON 15.12.2023

INLAND WATER PROJECTS

2213.SHRI MAHABALI SINGH:

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

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- a) the details of passenger and cargo imports for proposed operation through all existing waterways in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has taken any steps to promote inland water projects in the country and
- (c) if so, the details thereof

ANSWER

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

(a) IWAI maintains the cargo movement data on National Waterways in the Country. The details of cargo movement through all operational national waterways in the country for Year 2021-22 and 2022-23 State/UT wise is at **Annex.-1**. As the passenger ferry movement is governed under State Ferry Acts, movement of passengers is mandated with the concerned State Governments.

(b) & (c) To promote inland waterway projects in the country, 111 National Waterways (including 5 existing and 106 new) spread over 24 States have been declared vide National Waterways Act, 2016 w.e.f. 12.04.2016. Feasibility Studies (FSs) of new NWs have been completed and subsequent Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) also completed on selected NWs on the basis of FSs. Action plan has been formulated for development of 26 most viable NWs based upon the outcome of study reports and development taken up in 20 NWs. A total fund of Rs. 6639.27 Crore allocated for capacity augmentation of existing and new waterways development and jetties to improve the navigation facilities in the country as detailed at **Annex.-2**.

Annex.1

The details of cargo movement through all operational national waterways in the country, for Year 2021-22 and 2022-23 State/UT wise is as follows;

Statement of Cargo/Traffic movement for the Financial Year FY 22-23				
Sl.No.	State / UT	National Waterways	FY 21-22 (MT)	FY 22-23 (MT)
1	U.P., Bihar, Jharkhand, W. Bengal	NW-1 (Ganga-Bhagirathi-Hooghly River System (Haldia-Allahabad))	1,09,27,788	1,31,69,853
2	Assam	NW-2 (Brahmaputra River (Dhubri-Sadiya))	4,28,134	6,29,853
3	Kerala	NW-3 (West Coast Canal)	16,95,033	32,27,896
4	A.P.	NW-4 (Krishna Godavari River Systems)	1,12,33,685	84,18,067
5	Maharashtra	NW-10 (Amba River)	2,02,29,460	2,85,44,304
6	Maharashtra	NW-83 (Rajpuri Creek)	2,28,505	2,41,110
7	Maharashtra	NW-85 (Revadanda Creek-Kundalika River System)	7,00,955	4,97,873
8	Maharashtra	NW-91 (Shastri River - Jaigad Creek System)	2,24,47,037	3,38,65,863
9	Goa	NW-68 (Mandovi River)	26,21,634	25,42,291
10	Goa	NW-111 (Zuari River)	19,56,232	3,86,634
11	Gujarat	NW-73 (Narmada River)	45,223	41,625
12	Gujarat	NW-100 (Tapi River)	2,93,22,174	2,76,15,806
13	Assam	NW-16 (Barak River)	5,088	11,302
14	W. Bengal	NW-44 (Ichamati River)	8,17,950	4,62,546
15	W. Bengal	NW-97 (Sunderbans Waterway)	61,02,787	54,73,305
16	Odisha	NW-64 (Mahanadi River)	14,923	4,49,526
17	Odisha	NW-5 (East Coast Canal And Matai River/Brahmani-Kharsua-Dhamra Rivers/Mahanadi Delta Rivers)	14,923	4,02,619
18	W. Bengal	NW-86 (Rupnarayan River)	616	87,828
19	Kerala	NW-9 (Alappuzha-Kottayam Athirampuzha Canal)	0	17,093
20	Assam	NW-31 (Dhansiri/Chathe)	0	521
21	Kerala	NW-8 (Alappuzha-Changanassery Canal)	0	33,689
22	Odisha	NW-14 (Baitarni River)	0	1,329
23	Odisha	NW-23 (BudhaBalanga)	0	30,151
		Grand Total Metric Tonnes	10,87,92,147	12,61,51,084
		Grand Total Million Metric Tonnes	108.79	126.15

The details of Projects Sanctioned on National Waterway (NW) during last 5 years–

S. No.	Projects Sanctioned on National Waterway (NW) with States	Investment Sanctioned (Rs. in cr.)
1.	Jal Marg Vikas Project (JMVP-I &II) on Varanasi-Haldia stretch (1390 km) of NW-1 (Ganga-Bhagirathi-Hooghly river System) in Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand & West Bengal sanctioned on 03.01.2018.	5362.27
2.	(a) Comprehensive Development of National Waterway-2 (River Brahmaputra) in Assam	474
	(b) Construction of Alternative road to Pandu Port on NW-2 to NH-27 in Assam.	180
	(c) Construction of Ship repair facility at Pandu on NW-2 to NH-27 in Assam.	208
3.	Comprehensive Development of NW-16 (river Barak) and Indian Portion of Indo-Bangladesh Route in Assam	148
4.	Phase-I development of 16 NWs (NW-3, 4, 5 & 13 new NWs) for 2 years- 2022-23 & 2023-24 & till 2025-26 for certain NWs in the States of Kerala, Andhra Pradesh, Odisha, Goa, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Maharashtra & Assam-	267
	Total	6639.27
