

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3364
ANSWERED ON 17/12/2021

CONSTRUCTION OF PORT ON RIVER LUNI

3364. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state:
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- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up port at Rankhar of Bhawatada, Rajasthan by developing deep canal along Luni river in order to promote import/export in Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether this waterway route is to be declared as National Waterway-48; and
- (d) if so, whether any time has been fixed for completing the construction of this port and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) No, Sir. There is no such proposal.

(c) & (d) Rankhar of Bhawatada, Rajasthan is about 4 km away from the route of Luni River, which is a declared National Waterway-48 (NW-48). On the basis of feasibility study completed, NW-48 has been found unviable for navigation at present. As such, there is no proposal to declare the waterway route from Rankhar to NW-48 as National Waterway or for construction of port at Rankhar.
