

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3010**  
ANSWERED ON 13.12.2024

**INVESTMENT ON NATIONAL WATERWAYS**

3010. SMT. ANITA SUBHADARSHINI:

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

**पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री**

- (a) whether the Government has set any target to complete 23 National Waterways in the country;
- (b) if so, the estimated year of completion and the amount of investment on the above said waterways;
- (c) the details of the waterways enlisted for development as National Waterways in the State of Odisha; and
- (d) the approximate volume of cargo transport expected through these National waterways by the year 2025?

**ANSWER**

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

- (a) & (b) Yes. Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways has approved projects worth Rs. 5950 crore for development of 23 National Waterways (NWs) by March 2026.
- (c) There are six (6) declared National Waterways in the State of Odisha, details of which are at Annexure-1. Out of which, development activities have been taken up on three (3) NWs viz. NW-5, NW-14 and NW-64.
- (d) The details of approximate volume of cargo movement on National Waterways in the State of Odisha is given at Annexure – 2.

**Details of National Waterways in State of Odisha**

1. **NW-5 (East Coast Canal And Matai River/Brahmani-Kharsua-Dhamra Rivers/Mahanadi Delta Rivers):** Comprising of Talcher-Dhamra Stretch of Brahmani-Kharsua-Tantighai-PanduaNala-DudheiNala-KaniDhamra-river system, Geonkhali-Charbatia Stretch of East Coast Canal, Charbatia-Dhamra Stretch of Matai River and Mahanadi Delta Rivers
2. **NW-14 (Baitarni River):**Dattapur village to confluence with Dhamra river near LaxmiprasadDia
3. **NW-22 (BirupaBadiGengutiBrahmani River System):**Birupa Barrage at Choudwar to Confluence of Birupa and Brahmani rivers near UpperkaiPada village including alternative route from Samaspur village to near Kharagpur village Bramani river from confluence of Birupa and Brhmani rivers near UpperkaiPada village to Bramani river at Katana.
4. **NW-23 (BudhaBalanga River):** Barrage (approx 300m from Patalipura village) to confluence of BudhaBalanga river with Bay of Bengal at Chandipur Fishing Port
5. **NW-64 (Mahanadi River):** Sambalpur Barrage to Paradip
6. **NW-96 (Subarnrekha River):**Chandil Dam to confluence with Bay of Bengal

## Annexure-2

**DETAILS OF APPROXIMATE CARGO MOVEMENT ON NATIONAL WATERWAYS IN THE STATE OF ODISHA**

<b>Cargo Movement 2021-22 to 2024-25 till Oct(in Million Tons) on National Waterways in Odisha</b>				
<b>National Waterways (NW)</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25 till Oct</b>
NW-5 (East Coast Canal And Matai River/Brahmani-Kharsua-Dhamra Rivers/Mahanadi Delta Rivers)	0.01	0.40	0.64	0.15
NW-23 (BudhaBalanga)	-	0.03	0.02	0.01
NW-64 (Mahanadi River)	0.01	0.45	0.67	0.16
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.03</b>	<b>0.88</b>	<b>1.33</b>	<b>0.31</b>

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