

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4301
ANSWERED ON 20.12.2024

DEVELOPMENT OF THE BISWANATH GHAT

4301. SHRI RANJIT DUTTA:

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

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- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps towards the development of the Biswanath ghat in Biswanath district of Assam along the Brahmaputra River (NW-2) for the smooth operation of the river cruises; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the facilities developed as well as proposed for the national and international tourists who travel by river cruise to Biswanath ghat?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Yes. A floating terminal has been provided by Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI), an autonomous organization under Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways at Biswanath Ghat for berthing of cruise vessels and embarkation/disembarkation of tourists. Moreover, the work for development of a tourist jetty at Biswanath Ghat has been assigned to Indian Port Rail & Ropeway Corporation Ltd (IPRCL).
