

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5621**  
ANSWERED ON 04.04.2025

**NARAYANI RIVER FRONT WATERWAYS**

5621. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

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

**पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री**

- (a) whether it is fact a that the development of Narayani River Front is pending since long  
time causing economical impact in regard to National Waterways No. 37;  
(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;  
(c) the total amount of funds spent for development of Narayani River Front in district Gopalganj in Bihar including development of National Waterways Number 37; and  
(d) the details of shipping activities from the Narayani River route?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (c) Under the Namami Gange Programme of Ministry of Jal Shakti, two Ghats were completed on the Narayani River in the district of Gopalganj, Bihar in July 2021 at a cost of Rs. 8.25 Crore and handed over to the respective urban local bodies (ULBs). The details of the Ghats are as below:

1. Dumariya Ghat 60m X 30m
2. Bridge Ghat 60m X 30m

(d) Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) an autonomous organisation under Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways has initiated hydro graphic survey to assess the navigational depth and for providing floating jetties along the National Waterways 37 (NW-37). Presently country boats are running for fishing, movement of local goods and agro products. To facilitate the local movement, two floating jetties have been constructed for placement near Bettiah and its opposite bank on NW-37.

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