

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1069
ANSWERED ON 05.12.2025

NARAYANI RIVER FRONT DEVELOPMENT

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

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- (a) whether the Government has initiated hydro graphic survey to assess the navigational depth and for providing floating jetties along the National Waterways 37 (NW-37);
- (b) if so, the details of development of the Narayani River Front in District Gopalganj of Bihar during the last five years;
- (c) whether the Government has started development of Narayani River Front and currently country boats are running for fishing, movement of local goods and agro products at Narayani River Front, if so, the details thereof; and
- d) whether it is fact that to facilitate the local movement, two floating jetties have been constructed for placement near Bettiah and its opposite bank in Bihar on NW-37, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
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- (a) & (b) Fairway development work including Hydrographic survey on NW-37 (River Gandak) had been carried in Financial Year 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20 at total cost of Rs. 5.32 crore, Rs. 7.59 crore and Rs. 8.49 crore respectively. Further, work of updating Detailed Project Report of NW-37 (River Gandak) has been entrusted to M/s Rail India Technical and Economic Service Ltd.
- (c) Under the Namami Gange Programme, 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. Presently country boats are running for fishing, movement of local goods and agro products.
- (d) Two jetties at a cost of Rs. 3 crore have already been placed on NW-37 (River Gandak) near Mangalpur (Nautan) and its opposite bank in Bettiah for facilitating Inland Waterways Transport.