

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2122
ANSWERED ON 12.12.2025

DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL WATERWAY-104 IN ANDHRA PRADESH

2122. SHRI KESINENI SIVANATH:

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

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- (a) the current status of National Waterways development plan for NW-104;
- (b) the total amount of funds sanctioned, released and utilised for the development, dredging, navigational channel improvement, terminal construction and allied infrastructure on NW-104 during the last five years, year-wise;
- (c) the details of ongoing and completed projects for operationalising NW-104, including terminals, jetties, river training works and multimodal connectivity facilities in Andhra Pradesh;
- (d) the total volume of freight/cargo moved on National Waterway-104 during the last five years, year-wise and segment-wise within Andhra Pradesh; and
- (e) whether the Government has identified any challenges in increasing freight movement on NW-104 and if so, the details thereof along with the steps being taken to address them?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI), an autonomous organization under Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways intends to develop National Waterway (NW) - 104 (River Tungabhadra) for river cruise tourism by providing one floating jetty at Sureskula barrage.
- (b) to (d) No projects sanctioned and fund released for works at NW-104. As on date no cargo movement is recorded in NW-104.
- (e) The key challenges in making NW-104 operational are - non availability of sufficient discharge, 10 check dams, 2 barrages without navigational lock and presence of bridges with inadequate prescribed vertical clearance.
