

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 423
ANSWERED ON 03/02/2023

FUND FOR INSTITUTIONS

423. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state:
पत्तन, पोत परिवहन एवं जलमार्ग मंत्रालय

- (a) whether the Government has allotted any funds for various institutions under harbour engineering wing for maintenance dredging etc. and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether any central share is still pending for allocation and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure timely release of allocation of funds?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) In BE 2022-23 Rs.195.10 crore were allocated to Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port Authority (SMPA), Kolkata, towards maintenance dredging of shipping channel leading to Haldia and River Dredging and Maintenance of Hooghly and Haldia channel as reimbursement against the expenditure incurred by them.

A sum of Rs.175.59 crore i.e. 90% of BE 2022-23 was released to SMPA on 28.06.2022. The balance 10% i.e. Rs.19.51 crore will be released as per the direction of Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, subject to SMPA achieving minimum cargo throughput of 64.00 MMT in FY 2022-23.
