

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA**

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WATER TRANSPORT SYSTEM
RAM SHAKAL

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have any scheme for water transport system like the rail and Road transport;
- (b) if so, whether the Government are contemplating participation of private companies in this sector; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

- (a) Yes, Sir. Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWA) constituted under IWA Act, 1985; inter-alia, is to carry out surveys and investigations for development, maintenance and better utilisation of National Waterways and the appurtenant land for shipping and navigation and prepare schemes in this regard.
- (b) & (c) Yes, Sir. Action has been initiated for evolving policy framework, envisaging certain fiscal and financial incentives for private participation in inland water transport.