GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SHIPPING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3832 ANSWERED ON:22.03.2001 PROPOSAL FOR DEVELOPMENT OF WATERWAYS ON TIZU RIVER K. ASUNGBA SANGTAM

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to develop inland waterways on Tizu river; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor and the other measures being taken to develop economic relations between Nagaland and Myanmar?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The Major Waterways in the country are being taken up for declaration as National Waterways and subsequent development thereof for navigation and shipping purposes by the Inland Waterways Authority of India whereas the minor rivers are being developed by the respective State Governments. However, the Central Government assists the State Governments in the development of such rivers by extending assistance on 50:50 basis under Centrally Sponsored Scheme.

The State Govt. of Nagaland has proposed a scheme for conducting Hydrographic Survey and Geo technical investigation for the feasibility of inland water transport along Tizu river for promotion of Indo-Myanmar Border trade under Centrally Sponsored Scheme.

It is the Govt. policy to pursue cooperation with neighbouring countries for promotion of Cross-border trade, tourism and economic development in border areas through establishment of infrastructural linkage.