GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SHIPPING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1267 ANSWERED ON:02.08.2010 DEVELOPMENT OF INLAND WATER PORTS Khaire Shri Chandrakant Bhaurao;Kodikunnil Shri Suresh;Naranbhai Shri Kachhadia

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has any proposal for development of inland water ports in various States of the country;

(b) if so, the details and locations thereof alongwith the funds allocated for the purpose; and

(c) the steps taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI MUKUL ROY)

(a) to (c): Union Government through Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) develops inland water terminals/ports only on those waterways which are declared as National Waterways (NWs). Following five waterways have so far been declared as NWs:

(i) National Waterway-1: Allahabad-Haldia stretch of the Ganga – Bhagirathi-Hooghly river in the States of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal.

(ii) National Waterway-2: Sadiya-Dhubri stretch of the Brahmaputra river in the State of Assam.

(iii) National Waterway-3: Kollam-Kottapuram stretch of West Coast Canal and Champakara and Udyogmandal canals in the State of Kerala.

(iv) National Waterway-4: Kakinada-Pudducherry stretch of canals comprising of Kakinada canal, Eluru canal, Commamur canal, Buckingham canal and the Kaluvelly tank, Bhadrachalam-Rajahmundry stretch of river Godavari and Wazirabad-Vijaywada stretch of river Krishna in the States of Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu and the Union Territory of Puducherry.

(v) National Waterway-5: Talcher-Dhamra stretch of Brahmani-Kharsua-Dhamra rivers, Geonkhali-Charbatia stretch of East Coast Canal, Charbatia-Dhamra stretch of Matai river and Mahanadi delta rivers between Mangalgadi and Paradip in the States of West Bengal and Orissa.

Out of these NWs, developmental works including development of inland water terminals/ports are being carried out by Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) on NW-1, 2 and 3 only. Developmental works on NWs 4 & 5 have not yet commenced.

Details of inland water terminals/ports developed on NW-1, 2 and 3 and the funds allocated for development/maintenance of IWT terminals/ports during 2010-11 are given in Annexure -1.

Annexure-1 of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1267

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S.No. Water- Type of terminals/ Locations Funds allocated for
way ports development/ maintenance
of terminals/ports
during 2010-11
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1. NW-1 Fixed (Existing) Patna (low level jetty) Rs. 9.32 crore Floating (Existing) Haldia, Botanical Garden (Kolkata), BISN(Kolkata), Shantipur, Katwa, Farakka, Rajmahal, Sahebganj, Bateshwarsthan, Bhagalpur, Munger, Semaria, Buxar, Ghazipur, Varanasi, and Allahabad 2. NW-2 Fixed (Existing) Pandu (low level jetty) Rs. 9.10 crore Floating (Existing) Dhubri, Jogighopa, Tejpur, Silghat, Neamati, Dibrugarh and Sengajan

Fixed (Under Pandu (high level jetty) construction)

3. NW-3 Fixed (Existing) Kottapuram, Aluva, Maradu, Rs. 1.25 crore Viakom, Taneermukham, Trikkunnapuzha, Kayamkulam, Bolghatty and Willingdon Islands Fixed (Under Kollam construction)