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Title : Need to get survey work done for construction of Inland Waterway in Tizu river in Nagaland between Logmatar and international border of Myanmar.

SHRI W. WANGYUH KONYAK (NAGALAND): Sir, the Government of India is aware that Nagaland is under special category State. People of Nagaland do not know that the inland water transport is also available in the country. Meanwhile, the Ministry of Shipping had taken up a project for construction of inland waterway in Tizu River in Nagaland between Logmatar and international border of Myanmar for promotion of Indo-Myanmar border trade through inland water transport.

Inland Water Transport (IWT) proposed 42 kilometre length of waterway to be taken up. The Survey work had been awarded to Minor Ports Survey Organisation (MPSO) and assurance given by the Minister was that survey work has to commence shortly. In the meantime, this survey work could not be taken up because MPSO has been diverted to the Andaman and Nicobar Islands to take up post-Tsunami survey. However, the Minister had again given the written assurance to me that to explore possibility of deputing another survey team to commence the survey work in Nagaland during last season. But this survey work is yet to start.

I, therefore, request the hon. Minister for Shipping and Road Transport and Highways to get the survey work started by any team or agency and get Detailed Project Report (DPR) prepared immediately.

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