

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS  
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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 302**  
ANSWERED ON 19/07/2022

**PROMOTION OF CIVILIAN TRAVEL THROUGH INLAND WATERWAYS**

302. SHRI IRANNA KADADI:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the manner in which Government plans to promote civilian travel in Karnataka through inland waterways;
- (b) the number of waterways in the country that have been given permission by the Ministry to operate civilian transport vessels;
- (c) the number of registered companies in the inland waterways transport sector in the country;
- (d) the total value of Indian waterways transportation through inland waterways in the country ; and
- (e) the manner in which Government plans to promote and develop inland waterways transportation in the country?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b) Civilian travel through Inland Waterways implies passenger transportation utilizing inland vessels on any waterway including National Waterways. Civilian travel through inland waterways is governed through State Ferry Acts, which is under the purview of the State Governments. Further, the implementation of the Inland Vessels Act, 2021 replacing earlier I.V. Act, 1917, vests with the State Governments. Accordingly, permission to operate civilian transport vessels through inland waterways is given by respective State Governments. Central Govt. through Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI), an autonomous organization under Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways (MoPSW) regulates development of inland waterways which have been declared as National Waterways (NWs) under the National Waterways Act, 2016 for shipping and navigation. The infrastructure developed on NWs like channel with navigational facilities and terminals/jetties may also be used by Ferry/Tourist vessels. Also, financial assistance for construction of passenger jetties and infrastructure facilities on waterways in Karnataka has been approved under Sagarmala Scheme, details of which is at **Annex-1**.

(c) Details of registered companies in the inland waterways transport sector is not maintained by IWAI. However, the list of cargo operators, stakeholders and shipping agents in IWT sector participating in IWT promotional Seminars / Conferences of IWAI is detailed at **Annex-2**.

(d) Cargo movement of 108.79 Million Metric Ton (MMT) by inland water transport through NWs has been recorded during FY-2021-22. However, the value of Indian Waterways Transportation through inland Waterways is not maintained by IWAI.

(e) To promote inland water transport (IWT) in the country, 111 inland waterways have been declared as National Waterways (NWs) under National Waterways Act, 2016. Based on the outcome of techno-economic feasibility and Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) of the NWs completed, action plan has been formulated for 26 NWs which have been found viable for cargo/passenger movement. The list of the 26 NWs with their status is at **Annex-3**. Development activities have been initiated in the first 13 NWs out of these 26 NWs.

**Annex-1**

**Financial assistance for construction of passenger jetties and infrastructure facilities on waterways in Karnataka:**

S.no	Name of Work	Project cost ( in Cr)
1	Integrated Development of Tadadi – Aghanashini Waterway in Kumta Taluka of Uttar Kannada District	20
2	Development of waterways from Almatti to Bagalkot in Karnataka	12.20
3	Development of waterways on Gurupur (NW-43) in Mangalore Taluka of Karnataka	29.62

**Update list of Indian stakeholders / companies for Inland Water Transport 2020-21**

<b>List of Companies participating in IWT promotional Seminars / Conferences of IWAI</b>		
<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Company Name</b>	<b>Address</b>
1	M/S Inland and Coastal Shipping Limited	Shipping Corporation of India, Shipping House, 13, Strand Road, Kolkata 700 001
2	M/S Adani Logistics Limited	Adani House, Nr Mithakali Six Roads, Navrangpura, Ahmedabad 380 009
3	M/S Tirupati Vessels Pvt. Ltd.	Arsudav Building, 4th Floor 63/3B, SARAT Bose Road, Kolkata 700 025
4	Krishna Shipping & Logistics	33/F/5 Banamalipur Road, Kolkata 700 124
5	M/S Varcel Shipping	E-271, Gali No. 10, Phase-5, Ayanagar, Delhi-110 047
6	M/S Eastern Navigation Pvt. Ltd.	2nd Floor, Block D, Mercantile Building, 9/12, Lal Bazar Street, Kolkata, 700 001
7	M/S Mahalakhmi Engicon Pvt. Ltd.	Ramnagar, Godda, Bhagalpur Road, Godda, 814 154, Jharkhand
8	M/S Jay Bajranjibali Stone Work	Netajee Subhash Colony, Sahibganj, Jharkhand
9	FACT Ltd.	M/S FACT, Cochin Division, Ambalamedu, Kochi, Kerala-682303
10	Lots Shipping Ltd	M/s. Lots Shipping Ltd., 4th floor, GCDA Complex, Marine Drive, Kochi-682 031.
11	KSINC Ltd	M/s. KSINC Ltd., 38/924-A, Udaya Nagar, Kochi-682 020
12	Kerala Backwater Navigation	M/S Kerala Backwater Navigation Anamthuruthil, Chithrappuzha, Irumbanam PO, Pin-682 309.
13	Cochin Bunkers	M/S Cochin Bunkers 1st Floor, Jeevan, 1st Cross Rd, Manorama Junction, Panampilly Nagar, Kochi, Kerala 682036
14	Unique Bunkers & Marine Services	M/S Unique Bunkers and Marine Services, Jairam & Sons Bldg, 6th Cross Road, Willingdon Island, Cochin - 682003, Kerala
15	Tisha Navigation	M/S Tisha Navigation TR/62/452, A1, "Lakshmy", Ground Floor, Vishnu Vihar, Warriam Road South, Kochi- 682 016, Kerala State, India.
16	Bharat Chemicals	M/S Bharat Chemicals, 73/2199-A, K.S Udayan Road, Pachalam Kerala - 682012
17	Shinny Shipping & Logistics Pvt Ltd	M/S Shiny Shipping & Logistics Pvt Ltd Unit no. 4, 1st Floor, Port user complex no. 2, Near rubber board Building, Willingdon Island, Cochin- 682003

**List of IWT Operators**

Sl.No.	Company Name	Address
1	M/s. Eastern Navigation Pvt. Ltd	2nd. Floor, Block 'D', Merchantile Building, 9/12 Lal Bazar Street, Kolkata – 700 001
2	M/s. Asha Bharsha	Vill& P.O. - Noorpur, South 24 Parganas
3	M/s. River Waterlink Pvt. Ltd.	56-D, Block-D, 2nd. Floor, New Alipore, Kolkata - 700053
4	M/s. Sohom Commercial	7B, Kapalitola Lane, 2nd. Floor, Kolkata– 700012
5	M/s. Tirupati Vancom Pvt. Ltd.	63/3B, Sarat Bose Road, Arsuday, 4th. Floor, Kolkata - 700 025
6	M/s All Cargo Logistics Ltd.	“Goput Court”, 3 <sup>rd</sup> . Floor, 7A/1A, Middleton Street, Kolkata – 700071
7	M/s.Adani Logistics Ltd.	Adani House, Nr Mithakhali Six Roads, Navrangpura, Ahmedabad - 380009
8	M/s. ABC India. Ltd.	40/8, Ballygunge Circular Road, Kolkata – 700019
9	Lift & Shift India Pvt. Ltd.	96, ChemburMankhurd Link Road, Mumbai – 43
10	M/s. MFC Transport Pvt. Ltd	1201, 12TH Floor, Park, DLH Corporate, Opp. Telephone Exchange, S.V.Road, Goregaon (West), Mumbai-400062
11	M/s Prism Logistics pvt. Ltd.	4th floor, Suite No. 3, 33 A Jawaharlal Nehru Road, Kolkata-700071
12	M/s. Bollore Logistics India Pvt. Ltd.	Kankaria Court, 5 <sup>th</sup> . Floor, 7, KYD Street, Kolkata – 700016
13	M/s. Boxco Logistics India Pvt. Ltd.	“Central Plaza”, 5 <sup>th</sup> . Floor, Room No. 508, 2/6, Sarat Bose Road, Kolkata – 700020
14	M/s. Deugro Projects (India) Pvt. Ltd.	Office Unit No. 1212, 12th. Floor, Universal Magestic, Off. Eastern Express Highway, Ghatkopar Mankhurd Link Road, Govandi, Mumbai-400043
15	M/s Inland & Coastal Shipping Limited	C/o Shipping Corporation of India, 13, Strand Road, Kolkata -700001

**List of Exporter's**

Sl.No.	Company Name	Address
1	M/s. Novel Engg	155 lenin Sarani, Nigam Centre, Kolkata, West Bengal
2	M/s. ICM India Pvt. Ltd.	2 Chowranghee Approach, Kol-700072
3	M/s. Tirupati Hitech Pvt. Ltd.	63/3B, Sarat Bose Road, Arsuday, 4th. Floor, Kolkata
4	M/s. Netincon Marketing Ltd	Tivoli Court, Flat No. 93A, 13th Floor, 1C, Ballygunge Circular Road, Kolkata - 700019
5	M/s. Neotech Engineers	15 Mistripara Road, Raghunathpur, Pujali, Budge Budge, Kolkata - 700138
6	M/s. Haque Traders	8/2 B, Addul Halim Lane, Kolkata – 700016
7	M/s. Pioneer Enterprise	90C, Garden Reach Road, 3 <sup>rd</sup> . Floor, Kolkata – 700023

### **List of Cruise Operators**

Sl. No.	Name of Cruise Vessel	Name of Firm
1	MV Sukhapa, MV Rajmahal, MV Charaidew	M/s Assam Bengal Navigation Co. Pvt. Ltd, 3B, Dirang Archade, G.N.B Road, Chandmari, Guwahati – 781003, Assam
2	MV Mahabahu	M/s. Adventure Resorts & Cruises Pvt. Ltd., 55, Charmwood Plaza, Eros Garden, Near Suraj Kund, Faridabad – 121009
3	MV Ganges Voyager	M/s Heritage River Journeys Pvt. Ltd, 7, Second Floor, Local Shopping Centre, Vasant Arcade, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi – 110070
4	MV Bengal Ganga	M/s Heritage River Cruises Pvt. Ltd, 9123, B-9, Vasant Apartment, Masoodpur Village, New Delhi – 110070
5	MV Paramhansa, MV Millenium	M/s. Vivada Corporation Ltd., 14, Southern Avenue, Kolkata – 700026
6	MV Kindat Pandaw, MV Katha Pandaw, MV Kalaw Pandaw	Ms/ Indus River cruises Privtae Limited, 17, old China Bazar Street, Kolkata-700001

### **List of Shipping Agents**

Sl. No.	Name of Shipping Agents	Address
1	M/s. Desha International,	7, Waterloo Street, Kol- 700069
2	M/s. Soham Commercial	7B, Kapalitola Lane, 2nd. Floor, Kolkata – 700012
3	M/s. Tirupati Vessels (P) Limited	63/3B Sarat Bose Road, 4th. Floor, "Arsuday", Kolkata - 700025
4	M/s Global Shipping & Forwarding	3A, Neelambar Building, 28/B Shakespere Sarani, Kolkata – 700017
5	M/s. Maitraye Shipping & Logistic	46/4 Banamalipur Road, Barasat, Kolkata - 700124
6	M/s. Coastal Connexions	7B, Deodhar Street, Kolkata - 700019,
7	M/s. Kanishka Shipping	5, 23A, N.S. Road, 3 <sup>rd</sup> . Floor, Room No. – 9, Kolkata - 700001
8	M/s. C. Dey & Brothers	7 Waterloo Street, Kolkata - 700069
9	M/s. NELI	10E, Chandi Ghosh Road, Tollygunge, Kolkata – 700040
10	M/s. Fortune Cargo (India) Pvt. Ltd,	29/132/1, Kalyan Nagar (S), Kolkata – 700112
11	M/s. J.D. Shipping	MalotyAloy, 54/2, Naskar Para, Bansdroni, Kolkata – 700070
12	M/s. Ajbela Navigation	7 Waterloo Street, Kolkata - 700 069,
13	M/s. Riverinn Shipping & Logistic	7 Waterloo Street, Kolkata - 700069



14	M/s. Krishna Shipping & Logistic	33/F/5 Banamalipur Road, Barasat, Kolkata – 700124
15	M/s. Safe Hand Logistics	8E, Suhasini Ganguli Sarani, Kolkata-700025
16	M/s. Duttson	14G, Gobindo Sen Lane, Ground Floor, Kolkata - 700012
17	M/s. Shun Singh India Private Limited	47, Dr. MeghnadSaha Sarani, Ground Floor, Kolkata-700029
18	M/s Eastern Navigation Private Limited	2nd floor, Block D , Mercantile Building 9/12 Lal Bazar Street, Kolkata-700001
19	M/s K.K. Shipping	15, Mistry Para Road, Raghunathpur, Pujali, Budge Budge, Kolkata-700138
20	M/s Transcost Trading private Limited	35 C, Lake Place, Ground floor, Kolkata- 700029
21	M/s Tetron Merchandise Pvt. Ltd.	183/1, Lenin Sarani ( 1 St Floor), Kolkata- 700013
22	M/s. Mags Impex (shipping) Pvt. Ltd.	26, Karl Marks Sarani, 3 <sup>rd</sup> . Floor, Room No.-9, Kol-700023
23	M/s. H. P Shipping Lines	32, Lala Babu Shire Road, Bhaktineer Apartment, Belur Math, Howrah – 711202
24	M/s Pioneer Shipping Lines	90 C, Garden Reach Road, Kolkata – 700023
25	M/s. Ganges Water Transport Co. Pvt. Ltd.	27, Weston Street, 1 <sup>st</sup> . Floor, Room No. 110 – 111, Kolkata – 700012
26	M/s. Everett (India) Pvt. Ltd.	Shantiniketan Building, 8 Camac Street, Suite No. 209, Kolkata – 700017
27	M/s. Rain Maker	23A, N. S. Road, 3rd Floor, Room No. – 17, Kolkata - 700001
28	M/s. Maritime Logistics	7/1A, Grant Lane, Sati Business Centre, Room No. - 28, Kolkata - 700012
29	M/s. Pennon Shipping	S 308 Ideal Plaza, 11/1 Sarat Bose Road. Kolkata-20
30	M/s. Vinayak Shipping	8E, SuhasiniGanguly Sarani, Kolakata – 700025
31	M/s. IA3 Enterprise	14G, Gobindo Sen Lane, Ground Floor, Kolkata - 700012
32	M/s. Tidal Marine Service	Plot No.526, Khanjanchak, Haldia, PurbaMedinipur Pin – 721602 (W.B.)
33	M/s. Fortune Transport	7/1A, Grant Lane, Shyam Chamber, Near Bantinck Street, 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor, Room No-14 Kolkata – 700 012
34	M/s. Ishaan Enterprise	29/132/1, Kalyan Nagar ( Near Hari Para, Khal Per ) Kalyan Nagar, Khardah Kolkata – 700 112
35	M/s. Assetment Marine & Traders Pvt Ltd.	“GETANJALI PARK”,829, Kalikapur Road Ground Floor, Kolkata – 700 099
36	M/s. Inflow Waterways	18, Rabindra Sarani, Poddar Court, Gate no-1, 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor, Room no.344, Kolkata – 700 001
37	M/s. Sea Line Shipping & Logistics	NEELAMBER BUILDING, 28 B, Shakespeare Sarani, 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor, Kolkata – 700 017
38	M/s. Nadi Bangla Shipping Lines	New Kautukpur, Narapatipara, Chakdaha Nadia – 741248

39	M/s. Nadi Bangla Shipping Corporation	9, James Hicky Sarani (1 <sup>st</sup> . Floor), Room No. 102 Kolkata - 700069
40	M/s Pawanputra Shipping & Logistics	116, Regent Place, 1 <sup>st</sup> . Floor, Ranikuthi 7 P.O. – Regent Park, P.S. – Jadavpur, Kolkata - 700040
41	M/s. Siddhivinayak Shipping & Logistics	116, Regent Place, 1 <sup>st</sup> . Floor, Ranikuthi P.O. – Regent Park, P.S. – Jadavpur, Kolkata - 700040
42	M/s. Hindol Shipping	368/1, P. S. Road 'A' Kolkata - 700074
43	M/s. Pacific Navigation	52/S/8 R. N. Avenue, Kashinath Apartment 1 <sup>st</sup> . Floor, P.O. – Sodepur, Panihati, Kolkata - 700110
44	M/s. Westbay Logistic	7/1A, Grant Lane, Sato Bisuness Centre Room No. -28 Kolkata - 12



**LIST OF 26 NATIONAL WATERWAYS FOUND FEASIBLE FOR CARGO / PASSENGER MOVEMENT**

Sl. No	National Waterway	Details of Waterways	STATES	Status
1	National Waterway 1	Ganga-Bhagirathi-Hooghly River System (Haldia - Allahabad)	Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand & West Bengal	Development taken up with Assistance from World Bank <b>Jal Marg Vikas Project</b>
2	National Waterway 2	Brahmaputra River (Dhubri - Sadiya)	Assam	Development taken up as per approved SFC for FY 2020-21 to 2024-25
3	National Waterway 16	Barak River	Assam	
4	National Waterway 3	West Coast Canal (Kottapuram - Kollam), Champakara and Udyogmandal Canals	Kerala	Mostly Operational Waterways and development and maintenance work taken up.
5	National Waterway 4	Krishna River (Vijayawada - Muktyala)	Andhra Pradesh	
6	National Waterway 5	Dhamra-Paradio via Mangalagadi to Pankopal	Odisha	
7	National Waterway 8	Alappuzha- Changanassery Canal	Kerala	
8	National Waterway 9	Alappuzha - Kottayam - Athirampuzha Canal	Kerala (Alternate route: 11.5km)	
9	National Waterway 27	Cumberjua River	Goa	
10	National Waterway 68	Mandovi River	Goa	
11	National Waterway 86	Rupnarayan River	West Bengal	
12	National Waterway 97	Sunderbans Waterway	West Bengal	
13	National Waterway 111	Zuari River	Goa	
14	National Waterway 10	Amba River	Maharashtra	Development proposal at appraisal stage.
15	National Waterway 40	Ghagra River	Bihar	
16	National Waterway 44	Ichamati River	West Bengal	
17	National Waterway 52	Kali River	Karnataka	
18	National Waterway 57	Kopili River	Assam	
19	National Waterway 25	Chapora River	Goa	
20	National Waterway 37	Gandak River	Bihar	
21	National Waterway 28	Dabhol Creek Vasisti River	Maharashtra	
22	National Waterway 73	Narmada River	Maharashtra & Gujarat	
23	National Waterway 85	Revadanda Creek - Kundalika River System	Maharashtra	
24	National Waterway 94	Sone River	Bihar	
25	National Waterway 100	Tapi River	Maharashtra & Gujarat	
26	National Waterway 31	Dhansiri River	Assam	

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