

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 949**  
**ANSWERED ON 03.12.2024**

**INLAND WATERWAYS IN PUNJAB**

949. SHRI SATNAM SINGH SANDHU:

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

- (a) the details of functional inland waterways in the country;
- (b) the details of such waterways in the State of Punjab;
- (c) the steps taken by the Ministry to create new inland waterways in the State; and
- (d) the details of proposed inland waterways in the country and in the State of Punjab, if any?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (d) Out of the 111 National Waterways (NWs) declared vide National Waterways Act, 2016, 4 National Waterways i.e. NW-17, NW-45, NW-84 & NW-98 are in the State of Punjab. The details of the functional/operational National Waterways (NWs) in the country are attached as **Annexure-1**. The focus of the Government is to develop these declared National Waterways.

## List of functional/operational NWs

Sl.No.	State / UT	National Waterways
1	U.P., Bihar, Jharkhand & W. Bengal	NW-1 {Ganga-Bhagirathi-Hooghly River System (Haldia-Allahabad)}
2	Assam	NW-2 {Brahmaputra River (Dhubri-Sadiya)}
3	Kerala	NW-3 (West Coast Canal)
4	A.P.	NW-4 (Krishna Godavari River Systems)
5	Maharashtra	NW-10 (Amba River)
6	Maharashtra	NW-83 (Rajpuri Creek)
7	Maharashtra	NW-85 (Revadanda Creek-Kundalika River System)
8	Maharashtra	NW-91 (Shastri River - Jaigad Creek System)
9	Maharashtra	NW-53 (Kalyan-Thane-Mumbai Waterway, Vasai Creek And Ulhas River)
10	Goa	NW-68 (Mandovi River)
11	Goa	NW-111 (Zuari River)
12	Gujarat	NW-73 (Narmada River)
13	Gujarat	NW-100 (Tapi River)
14	Gujarat	NW-48 (Jawai-Luni-Rann Of Kutch River)
15	Assam	NW-16 (Barak River)
16	W. Bengal	NW-44 (Ichamati River)
17	Bihar	NW-94 (Sone River)
18	W. Bengal	NW-97 (Sunderbans Waterway)
19	Odisha	NW-64 (Mahanadi River)
20	Odisha	NW-5 (East Coast Canal And Matai River/Brahmani-Kharsua-Dhamra Rivers/Mahanadi Delta Rivers)
21	W. Bengal	NW-86 (Rupnarayan River)
22	Kerala	NW-9 (Alappuzha-Kottayam - Athirampuzha Canal)
23	Assam	NW-31 (Dhansiri/Chathe)
24	Kerala	NW-8 (Alappuzha-Changanassery Canal)
25	Odisha	NW-14 (Baitarni River)
26	Odisha	NW-23 (BudhaBalanga)

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