

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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INLAND WATERWAYS
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) the existing inland waterways operational in the country at present; and
- (b) the length of each of the waterways?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) : There are three National Waterways namely :-

- (1) The Ganga-Bhagirathi-Hooghly river system from Allahabad to Haldia (1620 Km)
- (2) The river Brahmaputra stretch from Dhubri to Sadiya (891 Km)
- (3) The West Coast Canal from Kollam to Kottapuram along with Champakara Canal and Udyogamandal Canal (205 Km)

In addition following waterways in the coastal states of Kerala, Andhra Pradesh, Goa, Maharashtra and West Bengal are also operational:-

- (1) West Coast Canal (non-declared portion) in Kerala (291 Km)
- (2) Kakinada & Eluru canals in A.P (189 Km)
- (3) Mandovi, l Zuari rivers and Camberjua Canal in Goa (93 Km)
- (4) Mumbai waterways (151 Km)
- (5) Sunderbans waterways in W.B (191 Km)