

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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FUNDS FOR BUCKINGHAM CANAL
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has allocated any funds for Buckingham Canal for navigation purposes from Vijayawada to Chennai; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) & (b): The declaration of Bhadrachalam-Rajahmundry stretch of River Godavari along with Wazirabad-Vijayawada stretch of River Krishna integrated with Kakinada Canal, Eluru Canal, Commamur Canal and Buckingham Canal, which includes the stretch from Vijayawada to Chennai, as a National Waterway is under consideration of the Government. Funds will be allocated for development of this waterway on declaration as a National Waterway.