

JAL MARG VIKAS PROJECT



ABOUT THE PROJECT

- It is a capacity augmentation project implemented on National Waterway-1 (NW-1) from Haldia to Varanasi.
- It was announced in 2014 by the central government and is expected to be completed by March 2023...



FUNDING

The cost of implementation is around Rs. 5300 crore and is funded collectively by:

- IBRD (Part of World Bank group) – It is also providing technical assistance.
- Government of India
- Private sector participation under PPP mode

States covered: Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal.

Launched by: Ministry of Shipping



KEY GOALS OF THE PROJECT

- Providing an alternative mode of transport that is friendly and cost effective.
- Socio-economic impetus and huge employment generation.



ABOUT NATIONAL WATERWAY 1

- It extends from Haldia in West Bengal to Prayagraj in UP covering a total distance of 1620 Km.
- It was launched in 1986.
- It is on the **Ganga-Bhagirathi-Hooghly** river system and covers a total of 4 states namely Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal.



About Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI)

- It is a statutory authority created in 1986 for development and regulation of inland waterways for shipping and navigation.
- Its headquarters is located in Noida (UP).