



Enhancing Waterways Potential in Nagaland

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The Union Minister of Ports, Shipping & Waterways (MoPSW), along with the Chief Minister of Nagaland announced a series of transformative initiatives aimed at harnessing the untapped **potential of Nagaland's waterways** during a Stakeholder's Conference held in Dimapur, Nagaland.

- **Development of Tizu Zunki (National Waterways 101):** The [Inland Waterways Authority of India \(IWAI\)](#) and the Transport Department of Nagaland will collaborate to conduct a feasibility study for the development of fairway, skill development, and vessel procurement for [Inland Water Transport](#).
 - Tizu river in Nagaland further flows into **Chindown river (Third largest Tributary of river Irrawaddy river)**, also known as **Ningthi river in Myanmar**.
 - Chindown River enters into Irrawaddy River (the largest river of Myanmar) and drains into Andaman Sea providing waterways for cargo movement from Northeast to the international trade routes.
 - Emphasised waterways as an **economical, sustainable, and efficient mode of transportation**, aligning with PM Modi's vision for India's growth.
- **Tourism Initiatives:** Plans to develop the **Doyang River Lake** with community jetties and study the feasibility of **Ro Pax ferries** to enhance tourism.
- **Maritime Skill Development:** Call for local youth to train in maritime skills at the **Maritime Skill Development Centre**, promoting employment in the marine sector.
- **Kaladaan Multimodal Transit Transport Project:** MoPSW through IWAI is working on various projects in the region, including the [Kaladaan Multimodal Transit Transport Project](#), linking NW 2 and NW 16 with **Indo Bangladesh Protocol Route (IBPR)**, developing fairway on IBPR, and declaring **Ports of Call among others**.

Read more: [Nagaland Statehood Day, India's Inland Water Transport](#)

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