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NOTICE TO MARINERS

Sub: Development of New Navigational Channel between Gaighat to Bkhatiyarpur via Kachi Dargha – Fatuha on NW-1 – reg.

Reference to the subject cited above, it is to inform that a new main navigation channel of (River Ganga) between Patna City (Ch: 952) to D/S Bakhityarpur (Ch: 912) has developed along right bank via “Kachi Dargah (Pontoon bridge) – Fatuha – Bakhityarpur” recently during (2013-14) floods. This channel was not feasible for navigation due to shallow depth for the past 30 years (approx) and all vessels were plying in the channel from Giaghat along left bank through Bidurpur-Checher-Mehnar and further to Barh & downstream.

During last floods this channel had become shallow due to heavily siltation and less water discharge. However, this old channel is also being monitored & maintained simultaneously by mode of dredging & bandalling by the Authority till the stabilization of new channel which is kept under observation.

In light of above, it is requested to all concern that they may issue instructions to the vessel masters that while sailing they should divert their route along right bank through Patna City (Ch: 952) TO D/s Bakhityarpur (Ch: 912) via Kachi Dargah (Pontoon bridge) – Fatuha – Bakhityarpur and vice versa IT is also to mention that one pontoon bridge is also located in the said stretch connecting Kachi Dargha and Ragavpur Island. Route map is enclosed for reference. ETA of vessels at pontoon bridge may be communicated to the office of Director (Patna) 2-3 days in advance for necessary action for opening of pontoon bridge. The vessel operators may contact Sh.Gumakh Singh ,Director, IWA (cellNo.08757513888 landline no. 0612-2630100 & 2630114 Mail ID: gurmakh1234@gmail.com) in this regard.

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Encl: as in above.



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Map Showing both old and new channel

-  OLDCHANNEL
-  NEW CHANNEL
-  PANTOON BRIDGE

