

Operational National Waterways for River Cruise tourism with details

NW-1- The prominent river cruise operators in NW-1 are Antara Cruise, Vivada Cruise, Pandaw Cruise, Assam Bengal Navigation etc. At present, 8 river cruise vessels namely MV Ganges, MV Ganges Voyager-II & R.V., Bengal Ganga ABN Rajamahar, ABN Sukapa, KV Kalaw Pandaw, KV Katha Pandav, KV Kindat Pandaw and MV Ganga Vilas are operational between Kolkata to Varanasi.

NW 2 - Cruise movement is operational between Pandu Port (Guwahati) and Neamati, Assam. Tourism activities like river rafting, camping, sightseeing, kayaking etc are already operational in NW 2 in Dibrugarh and Gujjan. Assam Inland Water Transport Development Society is constructing 10 Passenger terminals in NW 2. At present, 4 river cruise vessels namely MV Mahabahu, MV Alfresco Grand, Charaidew -1 & 2 are deployed in NW 2. The prominent river cruise operators in NW 2 are Adventure Resort Cruise, Pandawas and Assam Bengal Navigation

NW 3 - The entire stretch is operational for passenger ferry and houseboat movement. After both the lock gates (Thanneermukkom and Thrikkunnappuzha) in NW-3 would be operational, river cruise movement from Kochi to Kollam will be possible. Some of the cruise vessels that sail in NW 3 are RV Vaikundam, a double deck and 9 suite cruise vessel and Gokul Cruise, 2 - 4 BHK houseboat vessel.

NW 8 - The entire stretch is operational for passenger ferry and houseboat between Alappuzha and Changanassery. Houseboats mainly operate near Alappuzha.

NW 4 – There are few waterway routes on NW 4, i.e. Polavaram - Perantapalli - Pochavaram (Godavari River), Srisalam - Akkamahadevi caves (Krishna River), Srisailam - Nagarjuna Sagar (Krishna River) and Punnami Ghat - Bhavani island (Krishna River). The passenger vessels in NW 4 consisted of seating arrangements only.

NW 87 – The stretch of River Sabarmati in Ahmedabad, Gujarat between Nehru Bridge and Sabarmati Gandhi Ashram is operational for river cruise movement. Water sports and other activities like jet ski, kayak, floating restaurant is also operational in this stretch.

NW 97 – The entire stretch is operational for river cruise movement. There exists cruise movement between Kolkata to Bali Island in Sunderbans. At Present, 4 river cruise vessels namely MV Millenium, MV Paramhamsa, MV Ahilya and MV Jaladuta are operational in NW-97. MV Millenium has a capacity of 40 pax and is equipped with an air-conditioned lounge.

Indo- Bangladesh Protocol Route - The entire stretch is operational for river cruise operation between Kolkata and Dhaka and NW-2