

**Addendum to the**  
**Protocol on Inland Water Transit and Trade between the Government of the**  
**People's Republic of Bangladesh and the Government of the Republic of India**  
**signed on 6 June 2015.**

In pursuance of the Article 27 of the Protocol on Inland Water Transit and Trade (hereinafter referred to as "Protocol") between the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh and the Government of the Republic of India signed on 6 June 2015 (hereinafter referred to singularly as "Party" and collectively as "Parties"), the Parties have agreed to make an Addendum to add new routes and following amendments/ modifications in the said Protocol.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY MUTUALLY AGREED as follows:

1. For the purpose of mutual benefit of the Parties, an additional route "**Pangaon**" in the Bangladesh Part and "**Dhubri**" in the Indian Part shall be added in the term "route" mentioned in Article 1.2 of Article 1 of the Protocol and the additional routes including the existing routes shall be as follows:

- (1) Kolkata- Haldia- Raimongal- Chalna- Khulna- Mongla- Kawkhali- Barisal- Hizla- Chandpur- Narayangonj- **Pangaon** - Aricha- Sirajganj- Bahadurabad- Chilmari- **Dhubri**- Pandu- Shilghat.
- (2) Shilghat- Pandu- **Dhubri**-Chilmari- Bahadurabad- Sirajganj- Aricha- Narayangonj- **Pangaon** - Chandpur- Hizla- Barisal- Kawkhali- Mongla- Khulna- Chalna- Raimongal- Haldia- Kolkata.
- (3) Kolkata- Haldia- Raimongal- Mongla- Kawkhali- Barisal- Hizla- Chandpur- Narayangonj- **Pangaon** -Bhairab Bazar- Ashuganj- Ajmiriganj-Markuli- Sherpur- Fenchuganj- Zakiganj- Karimganj.
- (4) Karimganj - Zakiganj- Fenchuganj- Sherpur- Markuli- Ajmiriganj- Ashuganj- Bhairab Bazar- Narayangonj- **Pangaon** - Chandpur- Hizla- Barisal- Kawkhali- Mongla- Raimongal- Haldia- Kolkata.
- (5) Rajshahi- Godagari- Dhulian.
- (6) Dhulian- Godagari- Rajshahi.
- (7) Karimganj- Zakiganj- Fenchuganj- Sherpur- Markuli- Ajmiriganj- Ashuganj- Bhairab Bazar- Narayangonj- **Pangaon** - Chandpur-Aricha-Sirajganj- Bahadurabad- Chilmari- **Dhubri**- Pandu- Shilghat.



(8) Shilghat- Pandu- **Dhubri**- Chilmari- Bahadurabad- Sirajganj- Aricha- Chandpur- Narayangonj- **Pangaon** - Bhairab Bazar- Ashuganj- Ajmiriganj- Markuli- Sherpur- Fenchuganj- Zakiganj- Karimganj.

2. The additional routes mentioned in Article 1 of the Addendum shall be deemed to be incorporated in place of Article 1.2 of the Protocol.

3. A new sub Article 2.3 shall be inserted as under:

“To avoid any difficulties in emergency, conservancy services as well as for rescue activities in no man’s area of Indo-Bangladesh border of the waterway, team of personnel with required vessel instruments will be allowed to do the needful there as and when required through flag meeting by the local BSF and BGB instantly.”

4. A new Article 29 “Deaths on Board” shall be inserted as under:

**Article 29: Deaths on Board:**

- i. The master of every vessel will record in the log book every case of death happening on board, including the date and the supposed cause of death of any crew who dies on board and shall, when the vessel arrives at her destination, immediately notify the competent authority of both the parties.
- ii. Upon receiving the information, the competent authority will notify all concerned agencies, such as local police station, border customs and local consular office (if any), without any delay with the aim to send back the mortal remains to the country of the deceased.
- iii. The competent authority will also inform about the death and the measures taken to its counterparts at the earliest.

5. Article 3.5, 11 and 23.1 in PIWT&T would be modified as given below:-

**Article 3.5**

For the maintenance of the above mentioned services on these routes, a tender for fairway development contract shall be issued and thereafter the Government of India will bear 80% and Government of Bangladesh 20% of the actual amount finalized in the tender. The modalities of maintenance of above mentioned routes would be as per MoU between India and Bangladesh for fairway development of Ashuganj-Zakiganj stretch of Kushiyara River and Sirajganj – Daikhawa stretch of Jamuna River in the Indo-Bangladesh Protocol Route signed on 8.4.2017.



## **Article 11**

One country will provide facilities of "Ports of Call" to the vessels of the other country engaged in inter country trade and number of such Ports of Call will be equal in both countries. Both sides agree that the following would be treated as 'Ports of Call' in their respective country:

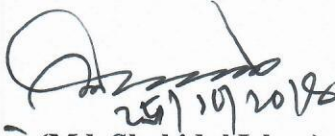
<b>Bangladesh</b>	<b>India</b>
Narayanganj	Kolkata
Khulna	Haldia
Mongla	Karimganj
Sirajganj	Pandu
Ashuganj	Silghat
Pangaon	Dhubri

## **Article 23.1**


Bangladesh Truck and/or Tractor-Trailers may carry cargoes/transshipment from river crafts at Sherpur and Ashuganj to the destination at Agartala, ICP (India) only.

This Addendum is made on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018 in two originals in English and shall remain in force till the validity of the Protocol.

**For and on behalf of the  
Government of the People's Republic of  
Bangladesh**

  
25/10/2018  
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