

## Inland Water Transport Terminal, Biswanath Ghat

Name of Project	Inland Water Transport Terminal, Biswanath Ghat
Project Location	Biswanath Ghat, Sonitpur District, Assam
Approx. Project cost	INR 85 crores (~ USD 13.08 million)
Focus sector	Inland Water Transport on NW 2 & NW 16
Status of approvals	Pre-feasibility study for the proposed project to be implemented on PPP mode has already been completed.
Connectivity	<p>Biswanath Ghat is connected by the Major District Road Sn-M-12 to the National Highway NH52, which is the major artery connecting the districts in the upper Assam region on the northern part of River Brahmaputra. The NH52 is connected to NH31 which connects it West Bengal and rest of India. The NH 52 is also connected to NH37 which is the main artery connecting the districts on the southern bank of River Brahmaputra, by NH37 (A) via the Nara- Narayan bridge at Tezpur. The nearest railway station is Helem, which is 52 kms away from Biswanath Ghat. It is close to the route which connects to Rangiya junction, the route is currently under gauge conversion. The nearest airport is the Tezpur Airport, which is ~ 73 kms from the site</p>
Project contours	The proposed project is identified based on its advantageous location to bring down the logistic costs of transportation of goods from rest of India to Upper Assam and beyond substantially. Once developed, the proposed terminal will be highly beneficial to some of the power projects coming up in Arunachal Pradesh as well.
Investment Opportunities	Develop and maintain the proposed IWT Terminal at Biswanath Ghat on PPP basis
Nodal agency	Inland Waterways Authority of India and Directorate of Inland Water Transport, Assam