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## **Regular container barge service between Kottayam Port and Cochin Port**

A long pending dream of introducing regular container barge service between Cochin Port and Kottayam Port will soon be a reality. Container barge service between Cochin and Kottayam via National Waterways-3 and National Waterways-9 will commence on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

A meeting was convened by Shri A.V. Ramana, Chairman(i/c), Cochin Port Trust today (05.03.2019) with officers from Customs Department and representatives from Kottayam Port, IGTPL, Shipping Lines, Custom Brokers & other stakeholders to finalise the arrangements for a regular container barge service.

‘The barge service will help reduce carbon footprint and cost for first & last mile connectivity thereby fulfilling the objective of ‘Sagarmala’ programme of Ministry of Shipping, Govt. of India’ said Shri. A. V. Ramana.

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