

# Majuli Island

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Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) started a new **Roll on-Roll off (Ro-Ro) facility** in collaboration with the Government of Assam to provide the much-needed connectivity for Majuli Island.

This Ro-Ro facility will cut down the circuitous road route of **423 KMs** that trucks take from Neamati to Majuli Island via Tezpur Road Bridge, by limiting the distance to only **12.7 KMs** with the use of river route.

**Majuli is one of the biggest riverine islands in the world located on river Brahmaputra** and faces serious challenges of connectivity.

It has 144 villages with a population of over 150000. The commencement of Ro-Ro services to Majuli Island would be a landmark event towards **augmenting connectivity not only in Assam but the entire North Eastern Region.**

Currently, there are only four road bridges across river Brahmaputra – at **Jogighopa, Guwahati, Tezpur and Sadiya** for connectivity between southern and northern parts of Assam.