

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4583
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NATIONAL HIGHWAY PROJECTS IN THE NORTHEASTERN STATES

4583. SHRI JOYANTA BASUMATARY:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of the 98 National Highway projects in Bodoland and the Northeastern States of Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur and Tripura including the number of projects completed/under construction and yet to be commenced;**
- (b) the total estimated investment for these projects and the allocation of funds across the States;**
- (c) whether the Government has established any specific deadlines for the completion of these highway projects, if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) the steps taken to address challenges and prevent delays in the execution of these projects in the Northeastern region?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND
HIGHWAYS**

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

- (a) and (b) The State-wise details of National Highway (NH) Projects (under construction, completed during 2024-25, approved but yet to be commenced) in the Northeastern States of Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur and Tripura including Bodoland area are as under:**

Sl. No.	Name of State	Details of under construction Projects			Details of Projects completed during 2024-25			Details of Projects approved but yet to be commenced		
		No.	Length (km)	Cost (Rs in Cr)	No.	Length (km)	Cost (Rs in Cr)	No.	Length (km)	Cost (Rs in Cr)
1	Assam	66	1,139	39,239	12	131	1,464	14	273	14,393
2	Arunachal Pradesh	32	615	9,035	7	121	1,700	35	1,230	26,550
3	Nagaland	36	755	10,151	3	55	656	5	62	331
4	Manipur	36	749	11,285	4	37	327	4	127	2,048
5	Tripura	16	324	7,652	5	45	205	-	-	-
	Total	186	3,582	77,362	31	389	4,352	58	1,692	43,322

Funds are not allocated project-wise but State-wise to meet the expenses for under construction works, completed works and approved but yet to commence NH projects. The funds allocated for development and maintenance works on National Highways in the State of Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur, and Tripura during 2024-25 are as below:

Sl. No.	State	Allocation (Rs in crore)
1	Assam	5,239
2	Arunachal Pradesh	3,488
3	Nagaland	1,227
4	Manipur	1,508
5	Tripura	514

(c) Completion of NH projects are dependent upon availability of encumbrance free land, forest clearance, environment clearance, utility shifting, working season, contractor's financial position, etc. All the under construction NH projects in the States of Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur and Tripura are scheduled to be completed by 2028.

(d) The steps taken to address challenges and prevent delays in executing NH projects in Northeastern region include the following:

(i) Streamlining of land acquisition

(ii) Disputes Resolution mechanism revamped

(iii) Award of projects after adequate preparation in terms of land acquisition, clearances, etc.

(iv) Correctly worked out utility estimates are to be obtained at the earliest after the alignment finalization and shall form part of appraisal proposal.

(v) Close coordination with all stakeholders including State Governments

(vi) Regular review at various levels

(vii) Expediting approval of Change of Scope and Extension of Time proposals

(viii) Network Planning Group appraisal before sanction of works so that issues regarding clearances can be flagged beforehand and solution can be worked out in advance.

(ix) Due provisions of protection works in inaccessible and challenging terrain are kept in Detailed Project Report.
