

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SURFACE TRANSPORT  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:450  
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MAINTENANCE AND DEVELOPMENT OF N. H - 23  
ANANTA NAYAK

**Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the National Highway No. 23 is not being properly maintained;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government have any proposal to develop the National Highway No. 23; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this direction ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT  
(DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN)

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) Does not arise
- (c) & d Development of National Highways is continuous process and is taken up as per plan programme depending upon inter-se priority and availability of resources. Provision has been made in Annual Plan 1999-2000 for development works amounting to Rs. 26.93 crore for this National Highway. Works amounting to Rs. 3.70 crore have already been sanctioned. In addition estimate for improvement of riding quality of 16 KMs amounting to Rs. 2.74 crore have also been sanctioned during this year.