

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SURFACE TRANSPORT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:37

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REMOVAL OF ENCROACHMENTS ON NATIONAL HIGHWAYS IN A.P.

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Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has taken up removal of encroachments on National Highways and also for improving the road infrastructure to ensure smooth flow of traffic without accidents;

(b) if so, whether the Andhra Pradesh Government have urged the Central Government to provide Rs. 94.75 crores for the widening of National Highways in the State; and

(c) if so, the reaction of the Union Government on such demand?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) to (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) 100 road and bridge improvement projects have been approved during the 9th Five Year Plan period (April, 1997 to March, 2000) at a cost of Rs.135.00 crore. In addition, Special Renewal Programme / Improvement of Riding Quality Programme works covering a total length of 517 km have been approved at a cost of Rs.95.55 crore from November 1999 to March 2000. Apart from the above, NHAI has taken up widening to 4-lane / 6-lane of NH 5 and NH 7 in Andhra Pradesh in phases depending on the traffic volume and availability of resources as a part of National Highway Development Programme.