

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:298  
ANSWERED ON:03.12.2003  
CONDITION OF NATIONAL HIGHWAYS  
RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH

**Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the road between the first to 25th and also between the 42nd kilometre to 45th kilometre and bridge on the 38th kilometre of NH-77 are damaged and in bad shape;
- (b) if so, whether the road between Hazipur to Muzaffarpur and also between Muzaffarpur to Sitamarhi on this highway is in poor condition;
- (c) whether pot holes have developed on this National Highway and NH No. 102 and 103 and the side of the road;
- (d) whether NH-77 is the most important highway of North Bihar passing through 17 districts and it connects Nepal to the State capital but remains still ignored;
- (e) if so, whether senior officers of the Ministry recently submitted its report after inspection and despite this no fund has been released during this year; and
- (f) if so, the action being taken to convert it into four lane and the amount released/proposed to be released for this purpose?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS AND MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND PO ALLEVIATION (MAJ GEN (RETD) B C KHANDURI)

(a) & (b) The condition of NH-77 except for a stretch from km 26 to 41, is generally bad.

(c) to (f) NH-77 is not being ignored. Works amounting to Rs 385.35 lakh for development, and works amounting to Rs 1643.15 lakh for maintenance and repair, have been sanctioned on NH-77 since its declaration as a National Highway in the year 1999. Besides, sanctions amounting to Rs 1506.00 lakh have been approved from the Central Road Fund (CRF) for the completion of two bridges which were incomplete at the time of its declaration as a National Highway. Despite constraints of availability of funds during the current year, it is proposed to take up improvement works in the worst affected stretches of Hajipur - Muzaffarpur section of NH-77. A feasibility study and preparation of a Detailed Project Report have been taken up for four laning of Hajipur - Muzaffarpur section of NH-77. The repair of pot holes in affected sections of NH-77, NH-102 and NH-103 are generally attended under normal maintenance.