

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

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FUNDS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL HIGHWAYS AND EXPRESSWAYS

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

- (a) whether the Government has earmarked adequate funds for the development of National Highways and Expressways in Gujarat;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the funds utilized during the last three years; and
- (c) the Government's plans during the next five years for development of roads, bridges, National Highways and Expressways in Gujarat?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) &(b) Yes Sir, the allocation and expenditure during last three years i.e. from 2002-03 to 2004-05 for the development of National Highways and Expressways in the State of Gujarat is given as under:

Allocation - Rs.1565.24 crores
Expenditure - Rs.1545.08 crores

(c) Development of National Highways is a continuous process and efforts are being made to keep them in traffic worthy condition depending upon the condition of the road, traffic volume, inter-se priority and availability of funds. During next five years four-laning of National Highways as part of Golden Quadrilateral covering a length of 485 km & East-West corridor covering a length of 634 km will be completed under National Highway Development Project(NHDP). Further, 421 km length of National Highways have been identified for four-laning under NHDP-Phase III on Build, Operate and Transfer (BOT) basis.