

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

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PHONE BOOTHS WAYSIDE AMENITIES ALONG NHs
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to install special phone booths and provide wayside amenities along the national highways to help motorists and accident victims;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the time by which such telephone booths/amenities are likely to be provided; and
- (d) the expenditure estimated to be incurred thereon?

Answer

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

(a)to(c) Ministry has a policy for facilitating development of wayside amenities along National Highways which include parking space for vehicles, snack bar/restaurant, toilets, dormitory for short duration rest, first aid, telephone booth, petrol pump/minor repair shop (optional) kiosks for sale of miscellaneous /sundry items and landscaping, truck/bus lay-bye as per the requirements. Emergency call boxes have already been installed on Kotputli-Amer and Jaipur- Kishangarh section of NH-8, Chennai Bypass Phase-I, Taqda-Nellore section of NH-5 and Nandigama-Ibrahimpattam section of NH-9. Emergency call boxes are proposed to be installed on some of the sections of NH-1, NH-2, NH-5, NH-8 and Ahmedabad-Vadodara Expressway and this work is targeted to be completed by December, 2006.

(d) These facilities are provided as part of the construction project.