

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3492
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CONSTRUCTION OF NEW N.H.
Mohite Shri Subodh

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has received a proposal from the State Government of Maharashtra for the construction of New National Highway from Nagpur to Ratnagiri ;
- (b) if so, the details thereof ;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to clear the project ;
- (d) if so, the time by which the same will be cleared by the Government ; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) : This Ministry, generally, declares State roads as National Highways and does not construct new National Highway. The road connecting Rantangiri and Kolhapur is already declared as National Highway. The Government of Maharashtra has submitted a proposal for declaration of Kolhapur - Solapur - Latur - Nanded - Yavatmal - Warda - Nagpur State road as National Highway. At present, emphasis is being given by the Ministry of Shipping, Road Transport & Highways for development of roads already declared as National Highways instead of declaring more roads as National Highways. The State Government of Maharashtra has been informed accordingly.