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ROAD DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has approved Rs. 20,000 crores for Road Development projects in Bihar;
- (b) if so, whether this amount has been sanctioned under the Rashtriya Sam Vikas Yojana to Bihar;
- (c) if so, the number of Kilometres of Road that would be covered under the projects;
- (d) whether the Government has any plan to include all the districts of Bihar under this scheme for one-time implementation of the projects;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN)

(a): The project relating to Development of State Highways has been taken up under the Special Plan for Bihar, a component of the Rashtriya Sam Vikas Yojana.

(b) to (f): There are 41 State Highways with a length of 2382.48 Kms. in the State of Bihar. The project covers all the 38 districts of the State. As per the 'Pre-feasibility Report for Upgradation of State Highways in Bihar' received from the State Government, the estimated project cost is Rs. 846.28 crore. The State Government has assigned the work to IRCON International Ltd. and the Central Public Works Department (CPWD), Government of India to prepare Detailed Project Reports (DPR) and implement it on turn- key basis. The first instalment of Rs. 8.46 crore has been released to the two agencies who would complete DPR preparation work on priority basis.