

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

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HANDING OVER ROAD PROJECTS TO PRIVATE SECTOR
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any proposal is under the consideration of the Government to handover the large share of its road projects with an aggregate investment of Rs.150,000 crores to private sector by 2012;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to expand the role of private sector in road projects ;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to give 80 per cent of the road projects to be executed by private firms alongwith the areas and places fixed for the private sector;
- (d) if so, the time by which final decision is likely to be taken in this regard;
- (e) whether any time schedule has been fixed for the private sector to complete the projects; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

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

- (a) to (c) The Committee on Infrastructure under the Chairmanship of Prime Minister, has decided for the improvement of National Highways under various phases of National Highways Development Project (NHDP) involving an investment of around Rs. 2, 20,000 Crore. The implementation of the Phases III to VII would be mainly on Public Private Partnership with civil contracts made in specified exceptional cases only. This would expand the role of private sector in road projects.
- (d) to (f) The Part of Phases III and Phases IV to VII of NHDP are planned for implementation by 2015 subject to the requisite approvals of the Government.