

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

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REPAIR OF NATIONAL HIGHWAYS IN ASSAM
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total length of National Highways in Assam requiring urgent repair indicating proposal made and sanction granted sector-wise on each highway;
- (b) whether the BRO could not make the repair and double laning of NH 52; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) Length of National Highways in Assam is 2836 km. Their repair is a continuous process. The works are taken up as per site requirements, keeping in view the inter se priority and overall availability of funds.

Nine proposals amounting to Rs. 31.33 crores have been received so far during 2004-05 from Assam for the repairs and maintenance of National Highways. These proposals are targeted for sanction subject to satisfying their technical parameters and availability of funds. In addition BRO and National Highways Authority of India who undertake the works themselves, have also sanctioned the proposals amounting to Rs. 14.92 crore so far for the repair and maintenance of National Highways in Assam.

(b)&(c): BRO, who have taken over NH-52 from Assam Government in May,2002 are maintaining this National Highway in traffic worthy condition within available resources. However, no double laning could be done so far because of paucity of funds.