

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:71
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PRADHAN MANTRI BHARAT JODO PARIYOJNA
Munshiram Shri

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has renamed `Pradhan Mantri Bharat Jodo Pariyojna` as National Highway Development Phase - III;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to launch the said project only in some States;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Government is preparing special package in this regard; and
- (f) if so, the reasons for delay in implementation of the said project?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T. R. BAALU)

- (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The `Pradhan Mantri Bharat Jodo Pariyojana` has been renamed as National Highways Development Project (NHDP) Phase-III. The name has been changed considering the fact that the project will be implemented by National Highways Authority of India (NHA) and will be an extension of NHDP Phase -I and II.
- (c) No, Sir. NHDP Phase -III covers 28 States and 2 Union territories.
- (d) Does not arise.
- (e) No, Sir.
- (f) The project is not yet approved by the Government. The question of delay in implementation does not arise.