

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

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FUNDS FOR MAINTENANCE AND DEVELOPMENT OF NHS

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

- (a) the total number of NHs in the country alongwith their length in km, Statewise/UT-wise;
- (b) the details of the survey/study conducted by the Government with regard to road conditions/dilapidated NHs alongwith the details of NHs that are in a dilapidated condition, State-wise especially in West Bengal, Madhya Pradesh and Bihar;
- (c) the State-wise details of the proposal received for repairing of NHs/roads in the country during the last three years and the current year alongwith the funds released/allocated/utilized for the purpose including Uttar Pradesh;
- (d) the details of National Highways/roads repaired during the said period, State-wise/UT-wise;
- (e) the State-wise details of complaints,if any, with regard to non-compliance of norms fixed by the Government for maintenance/repairing of NHs alongwith the action taken by the Government thereon; and
- (f) the time-frame fixed for repairing of these NHs and the details of contract signed with the contractors in this regard as well as the time by which NHs under construction in Bihar are likely to be completed?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) The State / Union Territory (UT)-wise details of National Highways (NHs) in the country is at Annexure-I.

(b) to (f) The development and maintenance of NHs is a continuous process. Periodic assessments of the conditions of NHs are being carried out by the executive agencies for taking up remedial measures taking note of the type and extent of damages. Accordingly, the NHs in the country, including those in the States of West Bengal, Madhya Pradesh and Bihar, are being kept in traffic worthy condition from time to time within the available resources based upon the assessment of their conditions depending upon traffic density and inter-se priority of works.

The non-plan allocations that are annually provided by the Ministry of Finance to this Ministry for Maintenance & Repair (M&R) of NHs are of the order of about 40% of the actual requirements as per the Ministry's stipulated norms. Accordingly, it is not possible to allocate sufficient funds for M&R of NHs as per the requirement projected by the State Governments.

The Ministry endeavors to ensure optimum utilization of the available funds for maintenance by allocating funds on the basis of length of NH network and the condition of the NHs.

The State / UT-wise details of proposals received, approved and completed during last three years and the current year for Maintenance & Repair (M&R) of NHs are at Annexure-II.

The State/UT-wise details of funds allocated and expenditure incurred for M&R of NHs during each of the last three years and the current year are at Annexure-III.

All the ongoing development works on NHs and State roads in the State of Bihar under various programmes of this Ministry are likely to be completed in phases by May, 2014.