

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

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NH IN BIHAR

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

- (a) the details of Highways in Bihar having been renovated and upgraded to National Highways during the last three years, district-wise;
- (b) the length of National Highways constructed in the State of Bihar as on date along with the names of the districts through which these National Highways pass;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that the National Highway 105 from Darbhanga to Jayanagar in the Madhubani district via Zeromile, sanctioned construction work is pending, if so, the details along with the present status thereof;
- (d) whether the State Government of Bihar has spent more than Rs. 1000 crore for development of National Highways in the State and same amount is pending with Union Government for payment to State Government since last four-five years; and
- (e) if so, the details of or clearance of this dues and payment to Bihar Government?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS (SHRI KRISHANPAL GURJAR)

- (a) & (b) Upgradation of highways to National Highways (NH) are not being taken up district wise in any State and the priority for such upgradation/ declaration to National Highways is decided, keeping in view the recommendations of the State Government. Subsequent to declaration, renovation of such National Highways are taken up based on a corridor approach, duly considering the traffic requirement and availability of funds. In the State of Bihar, during the last three years, highways with an aggregate length of 805 km have been declared as National Highways. The length of National Highways constructed in Bihar in the last three years including current year so far is 1453 km.
- (c) The work on NH-105 (0-53.76 km) from Darbhanga to Jayanagar in the Madhubani district is going at a slow pace due to non availability of forest clearance which is still awaited. However the earth work is completed in 30 km length and Granular Sub Base is completed in 14 km length so far.
- (d) & (e) The State Government of Bihar had intimated that they have, on their own spent Rs. 970 Crore on maintenance of National Highway. However, Ministry could not reimburse this amount as the requisite approval of Ministry / financial sanction was not taken by the State Government which is a pre-requisite for National Highway works carried out under the agency system.