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Title: Need to include National Highway No.10 in the initial list of Green Highways Policy, 2015.

SHRI DUSHYANT CHAUTALA (HISAR): I would like to urge the government to make National Highway No.10 between Delhi and Sirsa as a green highway under Green Highways Policy. Every year thousands of trees are being cut down for various infrastructure projects including National Highways and the N.H. 10 is one amongst them which has lost thousands of trees due to four-laning. The government had launched Green Highways Policy 2015 with the aim to help the environment, help local communities, and generate employment by planting trees along all the highways. It was also decided by the government to tree-line the 97,000 km of existing national highways and around 40,000 km of new roads over the next few years. Therefore, I urge the government to expedite the project without delay and include National Highway No.10 in the initial phase for making it green highway. Since there is abundant sun-light, solar power panel can be installed along the highway for solar power generation and rainwater harvesting system should be made along the highway so as to conserve rainwater.