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## Strengthening and widening of National Highways in Gujarat

5516. SHRI PRAKASH KOKO BRAMHMBHATT: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Gujarat Government has sent proposals to the Union Government for strengthening and widening of National Highways in the State:

- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANS-PORT AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICA-TIONS (SHRI K.P. UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) During 1989-90, 15 proposals covering NH No's 8, 8A, 8B, 8C for strengthening in a length of 113.25 Kms amounting to Rs. 861.65 lakhs and 14 proposals on NHs. 8, 8A for widening in a length of 110.43 Kms amounting to Rs. 276.29 lakhs were received.

(c) 9 proposals of strengthening in a length of 60.60 Kms on NH 8, 8A, 8B and 8C amounting to Rs. 435.05 lakhs & 10 proposals of widening in a length of 56.83 Km on NH 8 and 8A amounting to Rs. 1515.29 lakhs have been sanctioned and balance 10 proposals returned to State Government as seven of them were not included in the Annual Plan 1989-90 and remaining 3 involved bridge structure and were not found in order.

## Widening of National Highways in Maharashtra

## 5517. SHRI PRAKASH V. PATIL: DR. DAULATRAO SONUJI AHER:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANS-PORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Maharashtra has sent proposals to Union Government for widening of National Highways in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon; and

(c) the number of roads declared as National Highways in Maharashtra so far?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANS-PORT AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICA-TIONS (SHRI K.P.UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. 7 proposals for widening to two/ four lanes were received during 1989-90 from Maharashtra P.W.D. Details of these Proposals and action taken thereon are indicated in the statement annexed.

(c) 11 roads have been declared as National Highways traversing the State of Maharashtra since the inception of the National Highway Scheme in April, 1947.