

Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Regarding completion of stretches of National Highways in Odisha.

SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU (BEHRAMPUR): Sir, road infrastructure plays a major role in the development as it connects major and important places. Keeping this in view, Odisha Government has forwarded proposal for declaration of new National Highways stretches from Palasa-Paralakhemundi-Ramanguda-Bissamcuttack-Muniguda-Bhawanipatna-Kharia-Bangomunda - Patnagarh-Padmapur at Odisha/Chhattisgarh Border and submitted the same to the Ministry in August, 2021. The above stretches were previously declared in principle in 2015 and the Ministry has also appointed DPR Consultants. The development of these stretches will improve tourist flow in this region including in my Parliamentary Constituency. This is also to bring to your notice that these areas are strategically significant and better connectivity will improve in efficient handling of law and order situation.

In view of the above, I request the Hon'ble Minister of Road Transport and Highways to issue instructions to the concerned authorities to take expeditious action for early completion of the stretches of National Highway.