

ing 1963-64 in connection with development of fisheries related to—

- (1) Mechanisation of fishing crafts.
- (2) Fish Seed Production and distribution.
- (3) Fish farms and exploitation of reservoirs, lakes etc.
- (4) Landing and berthing facilities.
- (5) Supply of fisheries requisites.
- (6) Training and staff.
- (7) Ice and Cold Storage Plants and fish markets.
- (8) Expanded and applied nutrition programmes; and
- (9) Other minor programmes.

National Highways

593. **Shri Basappa:** Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Mysore have proposed to the Centre for upgrading the Bangalore-Mangalore road via Mysore and Dharwar-Gova Road and Bangalore-Tumjur-Mangalore Road as National Highways; and

(b) if so, the decision taken by Government in the matter?

The Minister of Transport (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) and (b). A proposal for the declaration of the road from Dharwar in the Mysore State to Panjim in Goa as a National Highway was received from the Government of Mysore some time back and is under consideration. For the inclusion of the Bangalore-Mysore-Mangalore and the Bangalore-Tumkur (Tumjur is a printing error) Mangalore roads in the National Highway System, various proposals have been made by the State Government from time to time. It has, however, not been possible to accept them because no provision exists in the Third Five-Year Plan for the expansion of the existing National Highway System. But so far as the Bangalore-Tumkur-Mangalore road is concerned, the Bangalore-Tumkur section is already a part of an existing National Highway (N.H.

No. 4), and with regard to the remaining road grants-in-aid aggregating Rs. 1.04 crores have been made to meet 50 per cent of the cost of the following development works on a part of the road to facilitate the transport of iron ore:

	Grant-in-Aid
	(Rs. lakhs)
(a) Widening of the Banasandra-Hassan-Mangalore road to two-lane carriage-way	79.00
(b) Construction of a new link road from Pane-Mangalore to Mangalore	25.00
	104.00

Indo-Japan Pact on Tourism

594. { **Shri Basappa:**
Shrimati Savitri Nigam:
Shri M. L. Dwivedi:
Shri S. C. Samanta:

Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any recent agreement between India and Japan for the improvement of Tourism in both the countries; and

(b) if so, the broad features thereof?

The Minister of Transport (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) Yes, Sir. It has been agreed in principle between India and Japan to promote joint tourist programmes by which international tourists visiting either country will be encouraged to visit the other.

(b) The details of the programme are being worked out.