

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the effective steps proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) The details of the proposals for the development of National Highways submitted to the Union Government by the Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan

Governments during each of the last three years are given below:—

	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94
Madhya Pradesh	43	33	15
Rajasthan	54	28	17

(b) Details of proposals approved during last three years are as under:—

(Amount Rs. in lakhs)

	1991-92		1992-93		1993-94	
	No. of Proposals	Amount Sanctioned	No. of Proposals	Amount Sanctioned	No. of Proposals	Amount Sanctioned
Madhya Pradesh	*20	*10904.50	**13	**11699.77	02	189.31
Rajasthan	28	11224.76	11	2106.78	03	78.25

* This also includes three works administratively approved for Rs. 10484.0 lakhs and sanctioned during 1992-93 for Rs. 11499.24 lakhs.

** This includes three works administratively approved in 1991-92.

(c) to (e). Some projects have been delayed due to slow progress in land acquisition, contractual problems etc. Periodic monitoring of the on-going works is taken up to resolve these difficulties to accelerate the tempo subject to availability of funds.

[English]

Funds for National Highways In Goa

5813. SHRI HARISH NARAYAN PRABHU ZANTYE: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the vehicular traffic in Goa has increased tremendously in recent years while the existing road network in the State is not in commensurate with the traffic load;

(b) if so, the steps taken/proposed to be taken to provide adequate funds to cope with the increasing traffic load during the Eighth Plan period; and

(c) the details of funds allotted during the Eighth Plan period for the construction of bye-passes to National Highways, development and extension of National Highways, construction and repair of the bridges on National High-

ways along with other proposals submitted to the Union Government by Goa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (c). Vehicular traffic has been increasing on National Highways including those in Goa. The existing National Highways are kept in traffic worthy condition commensurate with the funds available for this purpose. The 8th Five-Year Plan provides for improvement works for an amount of Rs. 56.10 crores covering bypasses, widening and strengthening of roads and construction of Bridges.

Production and Export of Alumina

5814. SHRI K. PRADHANI: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is great demand of the Alumina, produced in Damanjodi plant in Koraput district, in the International market;

(b) if so, the steps taken to increase the production and export of such high grade Alumina; and

(c) the details of the programme drawn up for the year 1994-95 in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) Alumina produced by National Aluminium Company Limited (NALCO) in the Alumina Plant at Damanjodi in Koraput District of Orissa

is of international standard and is acceptable in the world market.

(b) The Company has planned expansion of its alumina capacity from 0.8 million tonnes per annum to 1.35 million tonnes per annum.

(c) In 1994-95, the alumina production is targetted at 0.8 million tonnes which is its rated capacity and the export of alumina during the year is targetted at 4 lakh tonnes.

DAVP Advertisements

5815. SHRI BRAHMANAND MANDAL:
SHRI TEJ NARAYAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of advertisements released by DAVP to various newspapers in the country and the number of advertisements out of them awarded to newspapers published from Bihar during 1992-93 and 1993-94; and

(b) the total value of advertisements released during the same period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO): (a) and (b). The information is given below: