

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SURFACE TRANSPORT
LOK SABHA**

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MULTI PRONGED SCHEME FOR DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL HIGHWAYS

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Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have prepared a multi-pronged scheme for the development of National Highways;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the National Highways have been selected for this purpose;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (e) whether a multi-pronged plan to raise money for National Highways Development Project has been prepared;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; (g) whether the Government propose to issue infrastructure bond and take credit from Asian Development Bank for this purpose; and (h) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT
(DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The National Highways falling on the alignment of the Golden Quadrilateral connecting the four metropolitan cities of Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai and Calcutta and North-South and East-West corridors from Srinagar to Kanyakumari and Silcher to Saurashtra respectively and also the Salem-Cochin section of NH-47 will be upgraded to 4/6 lane facility under the National Highways Development Project (NHDP). The NHDP is estimated to cost Rs. 54,000 crores

(at current prices) and is targeted to be completed by 2009.

(c) : Yes, Sir.

(d) : The National Highway falling on NHDP are as under :-

- i) Golden Quadrilateral NHs No.- 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 46
- ii) North-South Corridor NHs No.- 1, 1A, 3, 7, 26
- iii) East-West Corridor NHs No.- 8A, 8B, 14, 15, 25,
28, 31, 31C,
36, 54, 57, 76
- iv) Spur on Salem-Cochin Section on NH-47

(e) Yes, Sir.

(f) The finances for implementation of NHDP will be made available from cess account, external aid i.e. loans from World Bank, Asian Development Bank etc., market borrowings and private investments.

(g) Yes, Sir.

(h) Details are in formulation stage.