

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SURFACE TRANSPORT  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1570  
ANSWERED ON:06.03.2000  
ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR NATIONAL HIGHWAYS TO KERALA  
GULAM MEHMOOD BANATWALLA

**Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the estimated cost of removing deficiencies on the National Highways in the State of Kerala;
- (b) the Ninth Plan allocations for the maintenance, original work and special repairing works of the National Highways in the State, year-wise;
- (c) the specific works identified to be taken up with the plan allocations during the Ninth Plan period;
- (d) the actual expenditure and the release of funds in each of the three years of the said plan; and
- (e) the details of the other specific steps to be taken ultimately to remove the deficiencies in respect of National Highways in the State?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT

( DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN )

- (a) About Rs. 5500 Crore.
- (b) The funds allocated for first three years of 9th Five Year Plan are as under :

Year	National Highway	Maintenance & Repair	Special Repair
(original work) (Rs. in lakh)	(Rs. in lakh)	(Rs. in lakh)	
1997-98	3882.48	2268.11	-
1998-99	6744.46	2090.63	-
1999-2000	10737.00	2384.00	1610.00

- (c) During 9th five Year Plan, works aggregating to Rs. 613 Crore are likely to be taken up on National Highways in the State of Kerala for detailed engineering, land acquisition, construction of by-passes, road over-bridge/under-bridge, missing links, strengthening as well as widening, reconstruction and rehabilitation of bridges and culverts etc.
- (d) The figures of allocation and expenditure are :

Year	Allocation ( Rs. in lakh)	Expenditure (Rs.in lakh)
1997-98	3882.48	3900.00
1998-99	6744.46	6744.46
1999-2000 (up to January 2000)	10737.00	4790.00

- (e) It is also proposed to take up some projects for construction of by-passes, road-over bridges and widening of National Highways through Build Operate and Transfer (BOT) basis, if found viable.