

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1356
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CONDITION OF NATIONAL HIGHWAY
ANANTA NAYAK

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware of the dilapidated condition of National Highway from Panikoili and Rajamunda in Orissa;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the fund sanctioned for the development and maintenance of this highway is not being properly utilised; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI PON. RADHAKIRISHNAN)

(a) to (d) Total length of National Highway from Panikoili to Rajamunda (NH 215) is 269 km. This road was declared as a National Highway in 1999. About 105 km length has been improved under various schemes since then. 10 works have been sanctioned at a total cost of Rs 47.06 crores for a total length of 146 km. out of the 164 km left. Works in some of these stretches are in progress and works have not been awarded in some other sections. The condition of these sections is not reported to be good. Works on these sections are being carried out as per Ministry's sanctions and funds are being utilized accordingly.