

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4928

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NABARD LOANS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether NABARD is providing financial assistance to the State Governments for construction of roads and bridges;
- (b) if so, the amount of assistance provided for this purpose, during each of the last three years, State-wise, particularly in case of Maharashtra and Karnataka;
- (c) whether the Government of Maharashtra and Karnataka have sought any loan for construction of approach roads to tourist centres in the State;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Union Government thereto; and
- (e) the number of roads and bridges taken up under the NABARD assistance in Karnataka and Maharashtra ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL) :

- (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) provides financial assistance to the State Governments for construction of roads and bridges under the Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF). The State-wise, including the State of Maharashtra and Karnataka, details of the amount of assistance provided for roads and bridges during each of the last three years are given in the statement attached.
- (c) NABARD has reported that the State Government of Maharashtra and Karnataka have not sought any loan for construction of approach roads to tourist centres in the States.
- (d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.
- (e) As reported by NABARD, the total number of roads and bridges taken up in Karnataka and Maharashtra under NABARD assistance are as under:

State	No.of Roads	No.of Bridges
Karnataka	1407	299
Maharashtra	2572	598