

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1893  
ANSWERED ON:21.07.2004  
FOUR LANING OF NATIONAL HIGHWAY NO.6  
Nayak Shri Ananta

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the growing number of accidents and traffic congestion on National Highway No.6 between Keonjhar Garh and Pallahara in Orissa;
- (b) whether the Government has a proposal to upgrade this N.H. to that of four-lane; and
- (c) if so, the steps taken in this regard?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c) The accidents on National Highway No.6 between Keonjhar Garh and Pallahara in Orissa are mainly due to mixed traffic with sizeable proportion of two wheelers and cycles, over-speeding, overloading, negligence on the part of drivers, etc. and not necessarily due to lack of four laning. There is no proposal at present to widen this portion of NH 6 to four-lanes.