

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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REPAIR OF ROADS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that due to Army movement roads in border zone i.e. Amritsar, Gurdaspur and Ferozepur suffered extensive damage;
- (b) if so, whether Government of Punjab has requested for grant of funds to keep the road infrastructure in operational condition in these districts; and
- (c) if so, the Government reaction thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) to (c): Some roads in border areas are frequently used by Army for operational and logistic purposes. On the request received from Punjab Government, 146.30 Kms. Of such roads have been taken up for maintenance due to operational reasons out of Army Budget in Amritsar, Gurdaspur and Ferozepur districts.