

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3057
ANSWERED ON:18.08.2004
SKY BOARDS ON NATIONAL HIGHWAYS
Nahata Smt. P. Jaya Prada; Nitish Kumar Shri

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

- (a) whether sky-boards were erected at some locations on the National Highways in the country on which the picture of the former Prime Minister was painted;
- (b) if so, the number of such locations;
- (c) the total expenditure incurred thereon;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to remove these sky-boards;
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the amount of money required for this purpose?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) 387 locations.
- (c) The total expenditure incurred on signboards including the erection of gantries on which these signboards were installed, was Rs. 3287.67 lakhs.
- (d) and (e) Informatory signboards are being installed on these gantries. This is because with the change in the Government at the Centre, part of the text on the signboards did not remain factually correct.
- (f) So far Rs. 147.68 lakhs has been incurred for removing these signboards.