

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

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UPGRADATION OF HIGHWAYS AND ROADS

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

- (a) the funds allocated to various States for upgradation of State Highways, National Highways and roads in major districts during the years 2006-07 and 2007-08;
- (b) whether many States have under-utilized or not even utilized any money under the Central Road Fund (CRF);
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) the details of funds allocated to the States and the amount utilized therefrom;
- (e) whether any Central Level Task Force has been set up to monitor the progress made by the States;
- (f) if so, the details thereof ; and
- (g) the other steps taken by the Union Government to expedite utilization of funds allocated from CRF by the States?

**Answer**

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

- (a) to (d) : The State-wise details of allocation and expenditure made for the development of National Highways and of amount accrued and released for improvement of State Roads from the Central Road Fund for the years 2006-2007 and 2007-2008 are given at Annexure. As per provision of Central Road Fund Act, 2000, funds accrued to CRF are non-lapsable in nature. The release of funds from CRF depends on the utilization of the released amount and the progress of works approved on the basis of the proposals submitted by the respective State Governments and implemented by them.
- (e) : No separate Task Force has been set up to monitor the progress made by the States;
- (f) : Does not arise;
- (g) : The progress of works and utilization of fund are regularly monitored by the Ministry at different levels. The State Governments are regularly requested to increase the pace of the progress of CRF works and the progress of utilization of funds from CRF is monitored quarterly.