

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

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POTHLES IN NHDP
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there are many potholes in the National Highways Development Programme as reported in the 'Pioneer' dated March 01, 2008;
- (b) if so, the details of the facts reported therein and the reaction of the Government thereto and the action taken thereon;
- (c) the funds allocated and spent therefrom for the repairs and maintenance of the National Highways during the last three years, year-wise;
- (d) the funds which remained unutilised during the said period and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the concrete action taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) and (b) No, Sir. Out of total allocation of Rs.9228.50 crore during 2007-08 and unspent fund of previous years for the National Highways Development Project (NHDP) an amount of Rs.9317.49 crore was spent in 2007-2008.
- (c) Funds allocated for NHDP are exclusive for development and improvement of identified stretches of National Highways. No funds on repairs and maintenance of other National Highways are spent out of the allocation made for NHDP.
- (d) and (e) Does not arise.