GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:23 ANSWERED ON:23.02.2010 FINANCING OF NATIONAL HIGHWAYS PROJECTS Ahir Shri Hansraj Gangaram

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

(a) whether the Government has decided to constitute an empowered Group of Ministers to suggest ways and means for financing and construction of National Highways Projects;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has formulated any draft/proposal in regard to financing of National Highway projects for successful implementation thereof; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH)

(a) to (b) Yes, Madam. The Government, while approving the recommendations of the Chaturvedi Committee on the "Revised strategy for implementation of the National Highways Development Project (NHDP) – Frame work and financing", had also decided that the financing plan for 2010-11 onward would be considered by an Empowered Group of Minister (EGoM) for further action, including such changes to the work plan as may become necessary.

(c) to (d) The National Highways Development Projects financing plan worked out by the Chaturvedi Committee indicates the estimated expenditure and sources of funds summarized as following :-

Summary of the NHDP Financing Plan

Particulars (Rs in Crores)

A. Estimated Expenditure Project Construction 337,959 Payment of Annuity 207,579 Interest on Borrowed Funds 78,285 188,838 Repayment of Borrowing Total (A) 812,661 B. Sources of funds Cess funds 360,631 External Assistance (Grant & Loan) 9,782 Net Surplus from Toll Revenue 117,418 Negative Grant 3,318 Budgetary Support 1,398 Additional Budgetary Support 39,329 Share of Private Sector 211,315 Borrowings 191,948 935.139 Total (B)